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One trend popular today is muted fabrics with scatter cushions in a variety of sizes and designs using a mixture of different fabrics. The key to success is ensuring they come from the same palette of colours. The Derwent 'Maison' collection at Lenleys offers three sofa designs with a range of complementary chairs, chaise longues, and stools.

Increasingly, there is no need for sofas to match the chairs anyway. Lenleys experts have a range of options and ideas for any type of home, which recognise the ways in

which we use different furniture: a sofa can be for lying on, a straight-back armchair may be used for reading or for the use of a laptop on a tall coffee table.

So leading upholstery manufacturers will design a sofa to create the impression or mood in a room, and complement it with different chairs – high back, low back, reading or reclining, according to the requirement of the home.

The covering does not need to be the same, in fact it's better if it too is a complementary fabric that adds to the room's décor, not duplicates what is already on the sofa.

There is huge choice. Sofas can be two-and-half seaters, or even four, and may include part recline sections which can be electric or manual.

There is such a wide range of options and a little time spent examining them could transform your room... and the way you live there.

It's the little things that make a home

"It's amazing how the right mirror or picture can transform a room, bringing out the best in a colour scheme or a room's furniture", says **Chris Johnson, Lenleys' accessory buyer.**

Chris knows how important the exact colour shade can be for that new picture, lamp, vase or scatter cushion, as it can either match the room's colour or bring out that sharp contrast that brings the room to life.

"Our suppliers are now totally clued up about the colour palettes that will be setting fashion trends. It makes going to trade shows really exciting", he says. Even mirror suppliers are introducing colour glass into some designs, as well as the most

imaginative shapes that can help to emphasise the lines or curves of the furniture.

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COUNCIL SET TO MAKE 30 REDUNDANT

SEVERE cost-cutting measures at Dover District Council could see more than 30 jobs lost by April next year.

Following a meeting on a money-saving report, the scale of the cut-backs considered has been revealed.

Savings of 25 to 40 per cent of the budget, equating to £5.2 million to £8.1 million, will have to be made following the Government's spending review.

Chief Executive at Dover District Council Nadeem Aziz said: "On Monday, September 6, Dover District Council's Cabinet members discussed a report,

EXCLUSIVE

BY MATHEW BEECH

Delivering Effective Services – Shaping The Future Of The District, and approved it for further consultation.

The report identifies a five-year plan to meet and manage the unprecedented financial challenges facing the council.

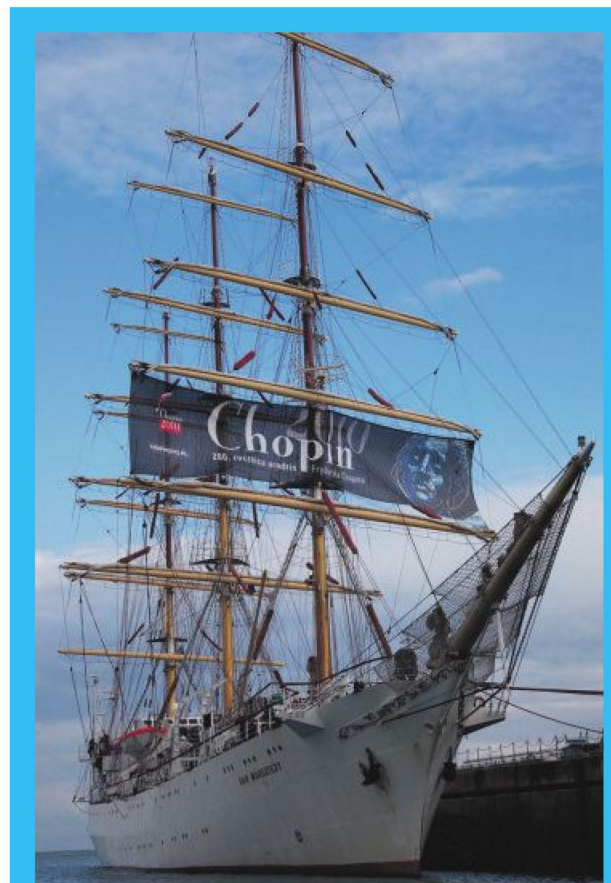
The report is necessary in response to the Government's proposals to find savings of between 25 per cent and 40 per cent in five years.

"This means the council will need to reduce its budget by between £5.2 million and £8.1 million over the next five years.

"The proposals identify a raft of measures, including prioritising services into gold, silver, bronze and tin categories, with gold services to be kept at current levels, albeit with some efficiency savings expected.

"Silver-rated services will see service level reductions, bronze may be sacrificed or severely reduced (depending on the outcome of the Government's Spending Review) and tin-rated services will be ceased.

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MUSIC TO SAIL BY

The Polish tall ship the Dar Młodzieży graced Dover harbour last Thursday as part of a whistle-stop tour of European port towns.

The three-mast training ship docked at the cruise terminal as part of the celebration for the 200th anniversary of Polish composer Chopin's birth.

On board were members of the Radio Symphony Orchestra in Katowice, who performed to a packed crowd in Dover Town Hall later that evening.

During the day, the boat lowered the gangplank and welcomed members of the public on board to explore the vessel.



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SALVAGE SITE: The SS Spanish Prince (left) and wreckage brought up during removal (right)



Dredging up the past as blockship is raised from sea

■ BY MATHEW BEECH

THE removal of the World War One blockship from Dover harbour has entered its final month and Yourdover was invited along to examine some of the raised wreckage.

The scuttled SS Spanish Prince, which had been on the harbour floor for almost a century, is being moved to allow bigger cruise ships better access to the docks.

In a £1.8 million pound contract, UK-based Herbosche-Kiere Marine Contractors Ltd is dredging up thousands of tonnes of riveted steel panels, decking and engine parts.

The operation is made all the more difficult by a combination of poor visibility, strong winds, the quality and strength of the steel, currents and severe swells at high tide.

Site manager David Knights said: "The problem with the location is that it is quite exposed to the South Westerly swell and also the diving window is very short, so we've had to come up with a solution which is essentially diver-less, using larger pieces of kit.

"Otherwise, we are restricted to about an hour each tide and it would be difficult to actually make it work.

"The excavators and the crane operators are essentially working

blind but they are experienced and have done many wreck removals

"Basically, we give them a sonar survey of the wreck and they are able to feel and find out via GPS where it is."

Once the raised steel has been sorted, it is transferred into eight skips on a storage barge and transferred to a lorry, where it will then be taken from the site and scrapped.

The main salvage site is to the East of the Western entrance to the harbour and a floating platform is in place, housing the heavy lifting machinery and the workers.

On site offices sit next to heavy lifting equipment, a choice of lifting tools and a pile of steel waiting to be sorted and moved ashore.

The former cargo ship was scuttled in 1917 as part of defence plans to protect the harbour from German U-boats and torpedoes.

Four 20m gantry towers were constructed with steel girders to allow cables to run across the harbour entrance to another scuttled blockship.

These allowed cables and netting to be attached and run under the waterline to another ship on the opposite side of the entrance, the Livonian, protecting the docks from submarine hazards.

The 128m long defence barrier is finally being moved to increase the room for cruise ships visiting Dover to manoeuvre.

New vessels to weigh anchor at busy port

DOVER Cruise Port is the second busiest cruise terminal in the UK and is set to welcome a range of ships in 2011.

Niche operators such as Crystal, Seabourn and Oceania are catering for a renaissance in premium cruising around Northern Europe from Dover.

The Hebridean Princess for example only takes a select 50 guests, offering fine wine and dining as it cruises the Western Isles or Northern France.

Transatlantic cruises are offered by the Holland America Line, which travels to New York from its home port of Dover.

The port will once again welcome popular lines; Aida, Ibercrueros, Pullmantur, Fred Olsen, Saga and Princess, as well as greeting the Oceania Marina, debuting in February 2011, and HAL's MS Ryndam, on its first visit to the UK.

Head of Commercial and Marketing at the Port of Dover Kate O'Hara said: "Dover is carving out a niche as the port that caters for the discerning traveller as well as contributing to the popular growth in European cruising that is winning new converts each season.

"First-class facilities at the Cruise Terminals and improved transport links are also encouraging new audiences to try a cruise holiday from Dover.

"It's promising news that UK Cruise is bucking the trend in the holiday market with over 1.65 million expected to have holidayed on board this year."

Final chance to enjoy fort at open weekend

THE historic fortifications on Dover's Western Heights will open up to the public for the last time this year.

The Western Heights Preservation Society (WHPS) has announced there will be a mini open weekend, following on from the success of the open weekend they held in June this year, when more than 1,800 paying visitors explored the tunnels and casemates.

The weekend of Saturday and Sunday, October 23-24, presents the last opportunity to walk around the Drop Redoubt and the Grand Shaft and to meet the re-enactors.

Entry to Drop Redoubt will cost £2.50 for adults, while accompanied children will be allowed in for free. Access to the Grand Shaft will also be free.

Visit www.doverwesternheights.org or call 01304 205108.

Churchill given a new lease of life

AN ICONIC seafront hotel is being brought back to life after it has been leased by experienced hoteliers.

The former Churchill Hotel has been leased out by the Dover Harbour Board to the management behind the Ramada Hotel in Dover.

Brothers Mr Rajamenon and Mr Rajaseelan are being trusted with reinvigorating one of Dover's most elegant and prominent buildings back to life.

The duo have a wealth of experience behind them, running the Ramada Hotel in Dover, as well as the Holiday Inn Express in Canterbury and have a series of innovative plans for the historic hotel.

The first act of their new management has been to rename the hotel, formerly known as the Churchill, to the Dover Marina Hotel.

Dover Harbour Board's Director of



OLD FAVOURITE: The Churchill Hotel

Finance and Commercial Tim Waggott said: "The team at the Port of Dover have worked incredibly hard to find the right partners to take one of Dover's premier sites forward.

"We are encouraged the new owners will be local businessmen who understand what works for the town and we are excited by the new ideas they have for Dover Marina Hotel.

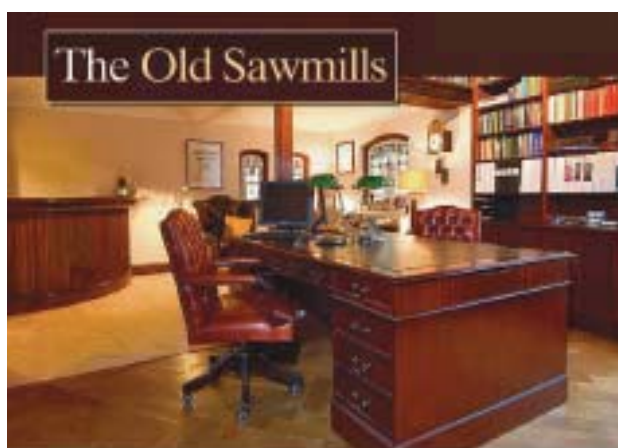
"We wish them well in their new venture and await with pleasure the

re-opening of the hotel.

The new owners hope to continue the good relationship they enjoyed with Best Western, marketing Dover Marina Hotel as an affordable choice with green credentials appealing to tourists and business travellers alike.

The new Director of Dover Marina Hotel Mr Rajamenon said: "We are delighted to be working with the Port of Dover and looking forward to making Dover Marina Hotel a focal point for the local community and visitors to Dover alike, whether it be meeting friends in the lounge for a drink, enjoying a meal or relaxing with a coffee and taking in the view.

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Orchestra sails in for historic performance

Polish musicians' tribute to Chopin

■ BY MATHEW BEECH

THE Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra in Katowice sailed into Dover to perform at a sell-out concert in the Dover Town Hall.

The world-renowned orchestra performed in Dover as part of a European tour to mark the 200th anniversary of composer Chopin's birthday.

The event, called DFDS Seaways Under the Flag of Chopin, has seen the orchestra sail into Copenhagen, Oslo, Gothenberg, and Boulogne-sur-Mer to celebrate the life and works of Chopin.

Director of passenger services for the DFDS Seaways English Channel route Chris Newey said: "We are so pleased to have been involved in this special event and to have the privilege of such a renowned and refined orchestra performing in Dover, the gateway to Europe."

"The Dar Młodzieży ship is beautiful and the journey that this orchestra and the ship's crew have made shows real dedication to bringing



TRIBUTE: The Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra perform in memory of Chopin at Dover Town Hall

Chopin's cultural heritage to life.

"We are pleased to provide a service used by many different European nationalities and a big part of our customer base is Polish, so it was even more fitting for us to be a part of this landmark event."

The UK part of the orchestra's trip was in recognition of the journey that Chopin made in 1848, when he sailed into Folkestone from Boulogne, before travelling on to London by train to what was to be his last concert perform-

ance in London's Guild Hall.

The director of the Polish Cultural Institute, Roland Chojnacki, said: "We were delighted to have the opportunity to perform this unique and very special concert in Dover."

"The orchestra received a very warm reception from the people of Dover and really enjoyed performing in the town hall."

The orchestra set sail on the Dar Młodzieży as it left for Boulogne-sur-Mer on Friday, September 17, before sailing back to Poland.

Shared services one way forward

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"Other measures include further progression of shared services with neighbouring local authorities and restructuring proposals – with a reduction in the number of directors and the removal of about 30 posts from the organisation, work is currently being undertaken to identify service areas where these reductions will be required."

"This is an unprecedented and difficult time for the council and the report identifies a clear way forward to start to address the challenges facing the general fund and the realisation that service delivery has to be reviewed."

"This will be an ongoing process to meet the anticipated budget pressures over the coming years, where the council continues to be committed to providing the best quality services, within the resources available."

"A survey is currently available on the council's website for residents to input into the prioritisation of services and staff and union consultation is expected to begin in November."

Preparations for Open continue

PREPARATIONS continue to be made for the arrival of the Open Golf Championships in Sandwich next year.

Dover District Council and its partners are striving to ensure everything will be ready for the event which is predicted to attract more than 200,000 fans and millions of pounds to the region.

The economic benefit of the last Open held in Sandwich in 2003 is estimated at £48 million. For more information, visit www.opengolfsandwich.co.uk or call the tourism team on 01304 24047.

Archbishop hears plight of detainees

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has highlighted the plight of illegal immigrants who are held indefinitely after his visit to the Dover Detainee Visitor Group (DDVG).

Dr Rowan Williams, who has been the patron of the DDVG since 2005, paid a two-hour visit to the group on Saturday, September 11 to help highlight the predicament the 300 male detainees.

Member of the staff, trustees and the Chair of the charity discussed the developments of the organisation with the archbishop.

Following this, the archbishop had lunch with volunteers and met former detainees.

He said: "Often people forget about them, they do not have clear legal status. What they need is relationship building, they need people to take them seriously."

The Dover Detainee Visitor Group started in 2002 to provide support for men held indefinitely at the Dover Immigration and Removal Centre.

A UK Border Agency spokesman said detention was the last resort, but when someone who has no right to be in the UK refuses to leave voluntarily, detention helps enforce removal.

Apartments offer better quality of life

DOZENS of new apartments are being opened today as part of a multi-million-pound social housing investment programme.

Buckland Court will cater for elderly residents, while Bleriot Court is a smaller block for people with learning disabilities.

As part of the opening ceremony, the managing director of Kent adult social services Oliver Mills will be presenting commemorative plaques to the residents.

Fred and Elaine Cheeseman will accept the plaque for Buckland Court, while Nicholas Prebble will receive Bleriot Court's plaque.

Built on the site of the former Roly Eckhoff sheltered housing scheme, Buckland Court is named after the nearby Buckland Estate, whilst Bleriot Court is named after Louis Bleriot, who was the first person to fly the English Channel in an aeroplane.

Attending the event along with the residents will be representatives of the partners involved in the project, including Housing 21, Kent County Council, Dover District Council, Denne Construction, White Oaks and DMA Maintenance.

Buckland Court has 26 one-bedroom and 14 two-bedroom apartments, all providing independent living as well as 24-hour care and support services.

Bleriot Court has seven one-bedroom apartments providing independent living and care and support facilities.

Head of Special Projects for Housing 21, Steve Sharples, said: "We are pleased to be welcoming residents to these new housing schemes."

"It is particularly rewarding to see how people are benefiting from having on-site tailored care and support, alongside their own independence."

Kent County Council cabinet member for Kent Adult Social Services, Graham Gibbens, said: "Getting housing right can make an important difference residents' quality of life."

"I am very pleased to see Buckland Court and Bleriot Court open, as they will provide a steady foundation for people who need it most."

"I am also delighted to see projects finished that illustrate how important a successful partnership working can be."

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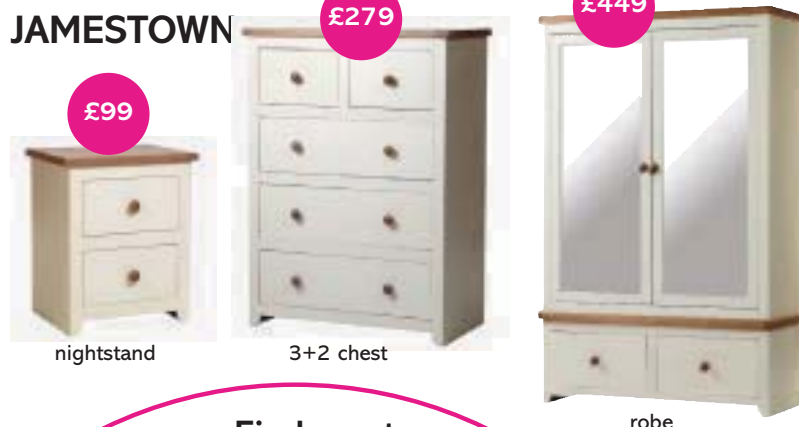
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DIGGING IN: Environment Agency volunteers carry out planting work on the Bushy Ruff flood defences

Wildlife banks on agency's efforts

IMPROVEMENTS to the banks of the River Dour have been carried out by Environment Agency volunteers.

A team spent last Friday enhancing the repairs needed after recent high water levels at Bushy Ruff.

In some areas the banks had been damaged or washed away, leaving the river more susceptible to flooding. Repairs were made using wooden boards, but these do not blend in with the surroundings and offer little to encourage wildlife.

To improve the look of the riverside and enhance the natural habitat, the agency planted native aquatic plants, including flag iris, water forget-me-not and reed canary grass. These will soften the appearance of the riverbank and provide shelter for birds and insects.

Management team leader Colin Bowley said: "The River Dour and Bushy Ruff mean a lot to many people. We are trying to add aesthetic value to the banks as well as improving the flood management."

"Putting plants here is a softer and more

■ BY MATHEW BEECH

natural alternative to concrete and the plants will help to bind the banks together.

"People will appreciate the plants which also add to the biodiversity, offering habitats and food for birds and insects. Wooden panels prevent physical erosion, but the plants will help to shore up the bank and bind it together. It looks more natural."

The plants, which cost £500, will have an immediate impact although it will take time before they begin to flourish.

Mr Bowley added: "The plants put in today will last for years. They will take about a year to fully establish and about three to four years before they blend into the surroundings."

Working alongside Mr Bowley were volunteers Jon Griffin, Andy Stamp, Duncan McClintock, Mark Spear, Alice Wilson, Mark Jager and Bryan Magar.

The planting was part of a partnership with Dover District Council, which has already seen them complete work at Temple Ewell.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Comedy club's triple bill

THE Ramada Comedy Club is bringing three more comedians to Dover. Joe Bor, Chris McCausland and Richard Wilson will appear on Thursday, September 30, at the venue in Singledge Lane, Whitfield.

MC for the night is Joe Bor. His sketch show, *Oi, Over Here*, played at the Pleasance Theatre, Edinburgh, and is being developed for TV.

The opening act will be Chris McCausland, who was *Jongleurs'* best newcomer and finished in the top three of Channel 4's *'So you think you're funny?'*

Headline act Richard Wilson is a regular at top comedy clubs across the UK.

Tickets start at £12; there is a £20 dinner and comedy combination; and a £102.50 two-to-stay offer, which includes a two-course meal, accommodation and breakfast for two.

For details, visit www.hahaheehee.com or phone 01304 872 843.

Hotel's charity fund-raiser

A BLACK-TIE charity dinner on Friday will raise money for seriously ill children.

The Ramada Hotel in Dover is hosting the event in aid of *Beyond the Moon*, a charity which gives the families of seriously ill children the chance of a holiday.

Last year, the dinner collected more than £8,000 for the cause. The three-course meal will include live entertainment, an auction and a DJ. Tickets cost £50 per person.

Visit www.ramadadover.co.uk or telephone 01304 872843 for more information.

The Allotment guide pride

A DOVER restaurant has made it into the Good Food Guide for the second consecutive year.

The Allotment, at 9 High Street, has made the 2011 edition of the book which describes it as a "mightily satisfying urban bistro".

Owner David Flynn said: "From day one it was an ambition to get The Allotment into the Good Food Guide and to have achieved this two years running is excellent news."

The restaurant involves local food suppliers and people from the community who own allotments and pass on their excess produce.

Visit www.theallotmentdover.co.uk for more details.

Book reveals wartime secrets

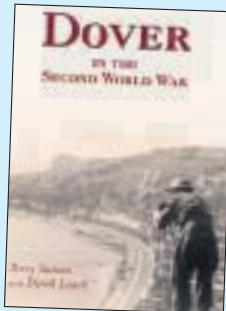
SECRETS about Dover's defence plans during World War Two are revealed in a new book published this month. *Dover in the Second World War* uses personal experiences and revelations from declassified Top Secret files to recall what life was like in the town during the war.

Authors Terry Sutton and Derek Leach have recorded the memories of more than 20 survivors from the era.

They also reveal how the military planned to demolish homes on the seafront to provide clear lines of fire against invaders and evacuation plans to remove the town's depleted population in trainloads of 800 at a time.

The final defence strategy was to put townspeople into deep bunkers, clearing the way for troops at Dover Castle and the Western Heights to bombard the town. In 1939, Dover had a population of more than 40,000, but this dwindled to 16,500 by 1940. As the war wore on, many of those who fled returned, only for there to be one final rush away in 1944. The town suffered heavy bombardment in the penul-

timite year of the conflict when German gunners fired relentlessly on Dover in an effort to use all their shells before Canadian troops fought their way into their heavily fortified gun emplacements on the cliffs at Calais.



Terry Sutton, who has worked as a journalist in Dover for more than 60 years, has written and lectured extensively about the war. As a ten-year-old, he was evacuated to South Wales at the outbreak of war, although he returned frequently, despite the shelling and bombing.

Former customs officer Derek Leach has written and published a series of historical and biographical

books, two in collaboration with Mr Sutton. Some of the photos in their book were taken during the years of censorship when cameras were banned in coastal towns.

The authors will be signing copies of their book and answering questions at British Bookshops, Biggin Street, on Friday, from 1-2pm; and at WH Smith, Biggin Street, on Saturday, October 2, from 10am-noon.

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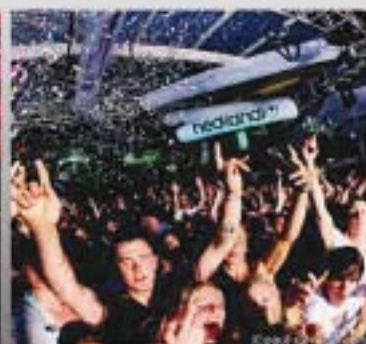
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Referendum vote rejects parish split

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

SHEPWAY has voted against creating a new parish council for Greatstone after a referendum showed a majority in the Lydd area was not in favour.

Members of the the district council's general purposes committee last week recommended 'warding' as a future option, with the intention of providing more balanced representation between the town and the coastal area.

There are nine councillors on Lydd Town Council who represent the coastal area and six who represent the town.

Campaigner and Lydd resident Michael Walsh, who opposed the proposed split, said common sense had prevailed.

"The people of the town have to be congratulated – the ballot was overwhelming," he said.

"Warding should have been considered in 2006 when the whole thing kicked off. It would have been a cost-effective way of doing it, but instead thousands of pounds have been wast-



VOTED DOWN: The coastal community members of Lydd Town Council will not be able to form a separate parish

ed. In the final analysis, common sense prevailed. To impose another parish council would have been financially disastrous."

There were fears the set-up costs of a new parish, including the hiring or construction of a town hall and appointment of a town clerk,

would have led to an increase in the Lydd precept of the council tax. However this was dismissed as scaremongering by Lydd councillor Pat Davis, who said the coastal area would now miss out. "To say I'm disgusted is a complete understatement," she said. "The referendum

result was influenced by the scaremongering, misleading information and rumours spread about a huge hike in the precept, together with the wrongly stated loss of Cinque Port status."

In the referendum, residents in the Lydd Town Council area were asked whether a new parish should be established for the areas of Greatstone, Lydd-on-Sea and Dungeness, separate from the town of Lydd. The aggregate of the polls carried out showed 57 per cent were against and 43 per cent in favour.

The new parish, which was favoured by officers, would have been called Lade, while the remainder of Lydd Town Council would have kept its name.

Cllr Davis said: "Coastal residents have for years supported Lydd town's amenities by the precept they pay to Lydd parish and felt it was time that they got value for their money by having their own council. Their own money to spend on the area in which they live – not one some five or so miles away. As for democracy – none exists for the coastal community."

The committee's decision has to be rubber-stamped by a full meeting of Shepway council at the end of this month.

THE founder of the Gurkha Justice Campaign has started a new battle for the brigade by urging people to oppose potential coalition Government cuts.

Cllr Peter Carroll, who won equal settlement rights for retired Nepalese soldiers last year with help from actress Joanna Lumley, has launched the Save the Gurkha campaign.

It follows concerns the 3,500-strong brigade could be axed to trim the Ministry of Defence's £36.9 billion budget.

Tory MP and former Army officer Patrick Mercer said the Gurkhas would be first to go, claiming they were "not so cheap" since winning the rights campaign. The MoD, however, has dismissed the claim.

Shorncliffe Barracks in Folkestone is home to the 2nd

Carroll's new call to arms for Gurkhas

Battalion Royal Gurkha Rifles, while almost half the soldiers from Maidstone-based 36 Engineers Regiment are Queen's Gurkha Engineers.

Cllr Carroll, a Liberal Democrat Shepway council member, has started a petition. He said: "Gurkhas are not second-class citizens. They are special and loyal and have fought for this country for nearly 200 years. It would be a devastating blow to the Gurkha community and the economy in east Kent if these cuts did happen.

"It's still early days and no decision has been made, but I want people to get involved. I'm hoping I can get enough support before a decision is made by the Government so it can be deflected."

More than 200,000 Gurkhas – whose motto is 'Better to die than be a coward' – fought in the world wars for the British Army, with 43,000 losing their lives.

The Gurkha Justice Campaign began in 2004 when Cllr Carroll was approached by veterans facing deportation. Back

then, no former Gurkha had a legal right to live in the UK after completing his military service.

Cllr Carroll now wants the same public support the earlier campaign gathered. "I want people to tell friends and family to sign the petition and get involved," he said.

Dhan Gurung, from Folkestone, who served in the British Army for nearly 20 years before retiring in 2004, said the Gurkha community in Kent had been strongly affected by news of possible cuts.

"They are worried for their families and children and for those on the frontline it has affected morale," he said.

"Cutting the Gurkhas would mean losing the bravest, most loyal soldiers in the world for ever."

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DEREK LEACH



Q Tell us a bit about yourself

A I was brought up in Chatham. After National Service in the RAF I became an officer of Customs and Excise. In 1974 I came to Dover. I retired in 1998, having been awarded the OBE in 1995.

Q What are you doing in your retirement?

A A retirement aim was to write a book, which had to be on local history as I have no imagination to write a novel. After the tremendous success of my first book, I have now researched, written and published some 10 books about Dover and Dorsetians.

I give illustrated talks on Dover's history and I am chairman of both The Dover Society and River Parish Council. I am an active member of River Methodist Church and belong to Friends Of Dover Museum.

Q Briefly tell us about The Dover Society

A The society, formed in 1988, has 440 members and covers the Dover Town Council area and adjacent villages. The society exists to promote high standards of planning and architecture; to inform the public about the history, archaeology, architecture and geography of the Dover area; to secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest.

Q How can other people join?

A Free open monthly meetings are held during the winter, with two invited speakers per evening; the annual Christmas feast at Dover College is popular; summer outings are organised; and there are three newsletters a year containing articles and reports. Over the years we have also organised a number of classical music concerts to attract members.

Q What is the society currently working on?

A Projects include the care and maintenance of Cowgate Cemetery at the foot of Western Heights. Since 2001 a small work-party has met fortnightly throughout the year to keep the cemetery an attractive place to visit while respecting it as a wildlife sanctuary. We are heavily involved in consultations on the future of Dover Harbour Board and the Terminal 2 project, the development of the St James area and we are leading a project to restore the Maison Dieu building. Our planning committee scrutinises all applications for suitability and our refurbishment committee is working to improve the basics of the town – getting rid of dirty streets, rundown properties etc.

Q What have been the highlights and successes of The Dover Society?

A Over the years there have been many modest rather than great successes. Among

them are a number of books, including one describing the Western Heights fortifications and another to celebrate the millennium – Collected Memories Of A Century. We have erected 10 blue plaques around the town and produced an accompanying trail leaflet.

Every year, under the national Heritage Open Days scheme, we organise the opening of historic buildings not normally open to the public. The society initiated the project to celebrate the Bleriot Centenary last year. A successful appeal was made in 1990 to the Ombudsman to condemn the action by the Home Office in breach of rules governing listed buildings at the Western Heights, gaining an apology and promise of no further breaches. Some years ago we relined Lydden Pond and planted trees at Lousyberry Wood, and more recently we arranged for trees to be planted in the town-centre pedestrian precinct.

Q Any final comments?

A Many other towns would like just one of Dover's historic jewels – the castle, Maison Dieu, St Edmund's Chapel, the Bronze Age Boat, Roman Painted House, the Western Heights fortifications including the unique Grand Shaft, the White Cliffs and the seafont. While the castle attracts more than 300,000 visitors a year, the town has not yet made the best use of all these assets in the midst of a rundown town centre.

Q & A

The chairman of The Dover Society talks to **Mathew Beech** about enjoying life after retirement and the disappointing fact that the town is not making the most of the fantastic range of attractions that it has

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Mutineer soldiers inspire exhibition

A NEW sculpture exhibition inspired by mutineer soldiers in Folkestone has opened at the town's Georges House Gallery.

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After years of fighting in the trenches of the First World War, the weary troops had been promised they would be returning to a heroes' welcome.

Instead they were mobilised to fight a new war against Russia, provoking 2,000 troops in Folkestone into revolt.

Homes Fit for Heroes runs until Wednesday, September 29, at the gallery in The Old High Street, from 11am-5pm, Monday to Saturday.

NHS to showcase community services

THOSE living in Hawkinge will be able to find out more about the NHS community services on offer at a public showcase later this month.

Information on healthcare services will be on hand as well as a demonstration of the website.

There will also be a chance to question NHS staff on a Question Time panel.

Copies of the agenda and papers for the board meeting that follows at 2pm will be available a week before the meeting by going to www.eckcommunityservices.nhs.uk.

The showcase will be held at the Hawkinge Community Centre in Heron Forstal Avenue on Thursday, September 30.

GP gives us his view on latest NHS shake-up

■ BY NICK AMES

FOLLOWING news that NHS primary care trusts will be abolished and groups of GPs will instead control local healthcare, Dr Robert Stewart will give his views on the continuing changes in a new, monthly column.

Dr Stewart is a medical director and director of clinical commissioning for NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent, and is also a practising GP.

"The health white paper announced by the Government in July has been described as the biggest shake-up of the NHS since it was created in 1948.

"That's a big statement – so it is justified? Well, certainly there are significant implications for the way the health service develops in future. For example, primary care trusts, which currently decide what services are needed in each area and purchase healthcare on behalf of the community, will cease to exist after 2013. Instead, it is proposed that GPs will group together to fulfil this role in future.

"However, much of what seems revolutionary has in fact been evolving over the past few years anyway, so while the Secretary of State Andrew Lansley will want to make his mark in the sand in terms of progressive thinking and new direction, there is comfort in the familiarity of some of the ideas too.

"Locally there has been considerable success, with GPs taking the lead to design services, and many of our doctors are already experienced and skilled in this respect. Of course, this hasn't been a success everywhere, and what is now envisaged is on a much larger scale, but it is not something completely new. In addition, the way in which GPs refer patients for treatment has meant that they are in effect a critical cog in the commissioning wheel.

"We are fortunate in eastern and coastal Kent to have some forward-thinking and innovative GPs and we as a primary care trust look forward to working with all 500 doctors across the patch as we enter the transition phase.

"There will be challenges and major changes



CHANGES: Dr Robert Stewart is looking to the future

for the staff involved, but what is encouraging is that patients are firmly at the centre of government plans – offering personal choice and engaging with patients is central to the white paper.

"Of course, GP commissioning is not the only proposal identified in the white paper. Changes are afoot for health and social care and public health, and we are awaiting further details on how these services might be picked up by local authorities. We have a good track record of partnership working in this part of the county, so again, I am positive about how this will unfold.

"Some bits of the jigsaw still need to fall into place, timescales need to be firmed up, and, importantly, consortia need to be formed before responsibility can begin to be handed over. But this primary care trust has been very successful, and this has been recognised at all levels, and therefore we in eastern and coastal Kent are in an excellent position to move into the next phase in the development of the NHS."

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Healthy living strategy for obese Kent

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

A NEW strategy has been drawn up to improve attitudes towards diet and exercise in Kent, which has the highest obesity levels in the South East.

Between 20 and 25 per cent of the population of the county is obese, with Kent and Medway having the highest prevalence of obesity in the region.

In addition, only 28 per cent of residents consume the recommended five portions of fruit and vegetables per day, causing concern among health chiefs.

The new strategy has been approved by Kent County Council's cabinet and aims to promote healthy living without making people



FAT LOT OF GOOD: Obesity levels are high in north Kent

feel they are being told what to do. This is about looking at the problem of obesity as a whole and seeing what more we can do," said

cabinet member for public health, Alan Marsh. "The 1,000 per cent increase in gastric band operations nationally reflects the calamitous rise in the demand for obesity treatment.

"We know there is an increase in diabetes, early deaths and heart disease – all caused by people not helped enough to get the best out of their lives.

"We will work with people and for people in order that their quality of life is the best possible. It is one of my core values to promote and support that aim."

According to recent statistics, the districts suffering from the highest prevalence of obesity are Swale, Gravesham and Dartford.

The lowest figures are in Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells.

It is predicted that obesity will soon overtake smoking as the biggest cause of premature death and long-term illness, and that unless the trend is reversed children born today will

have a lower life expectancy than their parents for the first time in 100 years.

Among the aims in the Healthy Weight Strategy are for people to recognise their weight issues at an earlier stage, better promotion of healthier food choices and the creation of incentives for better health.

Cllr Marsh said: "The strategy is about making sure we provide all the information and initiatives people need to make an informed choice about living with a healthy weight.

"We've already had great success with our Activmob scheme, which helps take an idea from a town or village – such as a dog training class or walking group – and then supports it and gets it off the ground.

"Great work is already going on across Kent, from promoting walks in country parks to all those in education signing up to the healthy schools initiative."

Boycott threat in pub rent row

DRINKERS could enjoy up to three months of cut-price boozing if Kent pub tenants decide to protest against high rental charges.

Up to £1 could be knocked off the price of a pint if managers refuse to sell the alcohol supplied by their landlords and instead purchase it from a wholesaler.

According to the GMB union, large pub firms are charging tenants as much as four times the levels assessed by the Valuation Office Agency (VOA) as being fair, open-market rents.

Potential industrial action was discussed by Kent managers in Chatham last week, with lead organiser Hayley Brennan claiming it will be "great for the consumer" if the boycott goes ahead.

"It would entail pub tenants turning their brew line service off and buying alcohol from elsewhere," she said.

"Because they would be able to buy for a much cheaper rate, we could be looking at between 80p and £1 off a pint.

'Climate of fear'

"We would also embrace the full 12 weeks unions have under this action. However, there's a climate of fear and managers don't like landlords knowing they're in the union. We'll be asking what action they're prepared to take."

According to the GMB, one pub manager in Medway is being charged £35,696 a year in rent – almost 300 per cent more than the £9,100 VOA assessment the union claims is based on a formula agreed with the British Beer and Pub Association (BBPA). Another in Maidstone is paying £28,000 per year, just over 245.7 per cent more than the £8,100 VOA assessment.

Mrs Brennan said: "The decline in consumption has coincided with the private equity-inspired financial engineering in tied pubs. This has resulted in sky-high rents, giving rise to inflated prices.

"This has led to an even greater decline in consumption in tied pubs, meaning very low income for tenants and pub closures on a weekly basis."

Despite claims that the VOA/BBPA assessment formula is on the internet, both organisations deny it exists.

A spokesman said: "The BBPA has not agreed any formula with the VOA for the calculation of rates. It would be entirely inappropriate to do so.

"While the rateable value for pubs is derived from the commercial market rent, it is not the same as commercial market rent and this applies to all commercial property. All pubs are assessed for rates on exactly the same basis as all other commercial properties."



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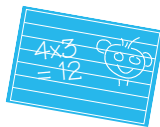


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Academy tunes in to music and maths

THE new Dover Christ Church Academy has thrown open its doors and welcomed students for the first time.

The academy replaces the Archer's Court Maths and Computing College, which closed down at the end of the previous school year.

Students will face a new curriculum which has a focus upon maths and computing, as well as music.

There will also be the specialist unit Aspen2, which will welcome students with special educational needs.

Principal Richard Williams said: "We are very excited about this new era and are looking forward to working in partnership with Canterbury Christ Church University to ensure our students get the best possible teaching and learning experience."

Lecture takes a look at our relationships

GOD, Sex And Freud is the title of a lecture at University Centre Folkestone's campus next month.

Counsellor and Catholic deacon John Roberts will talk about the growing interest in the relationship between psychological therapies and the spiritual.

The lecture is open to the public and will be held on Tuesday, October 12, at 6pm at UCF's campus in Mill Bay, in Folkestone's Creative Quarter.

To find out more, phone 01303 760600, email jane.seaman@canterbury.ac.uk, or go to www.canterbury.ac.uk/events/.

Military boarding school opens up for all to enrol

■ BY MATHEW BEECH

THE first full boarding academy in the country has opened in Dover.

The Duke of York's Royal Military School held a ceremony on Friday, September 10, to mark the occasion, which was attended by, among others, Lieutenant General Coward, retired Major General Meier and Dover MP Charlie Elphicke.

Alongside the celebrations of becoming an academy, the new eco-friendly sixth-form boarding house, Centenary House, was officially opened.

The £4.5 million building, which incorporates green ideas such as piping daylight into the corridors, is just part of a £9.5 million investment funded by the Ministry of Defence.

Other renovations include improvements to the cricket pavilion, chapel, bathrooms and upgraded ICT facilities.

The school was originally set up in 1801 by the then Duke of York to care for the orphans of soldiers before moving to Dover in 1906.

The new academy status marks a turning point in the school's 200-year history that means children aged 11 to 18 from non-military families will now be able to apply for places at the £9,750-a-year school.

Academy principal Charles Johnson said: "This is an exciting time. Becoming a modern state academy will provide students with an educational boarding experience fit for the 21st century. Duke students have always flourished under our exceptional pastoral care and have excelled academically."

"As an academy we will be able to share



MODERN: The new eco-friendly sixth form boarding house cost £4.5m as part of a massive investment plan

these benefits by opening our doors to non-military families in Kent and extending the use of our outstanding grounds, hall and sports facilities to local community groups."

Academy head boy Luke Lockett, 17, said: "It is really exciting and it doesn't compare to what we had before. It is a lot better."

Dover MP Charlie Elphicke said: "It is an outstanding school and the only academy that offers full boarding."

"I'm delighted local children will be able to attend as well as seeing it continue its excellent military traditions."

This year, students achieved a 100 per cent GCSE pass rate in A* to C grades, with 97 per cent including maths and English, and 86 per cent going on to university.

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Teenager's call to protect services

A TEENAGE politician has launched a campaign calling for children's services to be spared from spending cuts.

Kent Youth County Council chairman Dara Farrell, 17, (right) is worried that funding for careers advice, support and youth activities may be slashed due to a lack of representation among young people.



The Ashford resident also represents the county on the UK Youth Parliament and is urging teenagers to fight the proposed cuts.

"So many services that help young people, including some voluntary organisations, are at risk," he said. "I think we tend to get hit first because many of us aren't old enough to vote.

"Adults are more likely to accept spending cuts in areas that do not directly affect them, like youth services.

"We need a sign from the Government on where young people stand in the 'big society'."

Last month KOS Media revealed how the Connexions career-guidance service was

preparing for more cuts ahead of the October 20 Comprehensive Spending Review.

Medway Youth Trust lost £100,000 from its £2.1 million budget this year, while the Kent branch admitted that it expected a reduction in funding from 2011 onwards.

Prime Minister David Cameron said the Connexions service had "not been a great success story", but Dara said it appeared the coalition was intent on scrapping everything championed by Labour.

"I know of people who have benefited greatly from Connexions' advice, as well as others who haven't. But the fact some people haven't found it useful isn't a reason to get rid of it."

Dara, who attends St Anselm's Catholic School in Canterbury, also had strong words for the coalition's proposed new National Citizen Service.

The scheme, which will be piloted between June and September next year, aims to give every 16-year-old the opportunity to participate in an eight-week residential and home-based programme of events.

He said: "The idea of giving young people that experience is good, but not at the expense of other youth services. Let's protect the ones we've got before we create more."

Dara has submitted his Save Our Services campaign to Channel 4's Battlefront project and is asking people to vote for it before Friday. Visit www.battlefront.co.uk/12th-campaigner for more information.

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YOUR LETTERS

Nothing 'special' about travellers

So travellers should not have preferential treatment with planning regulations?

My main problem is with the word 'traveller' – surely the word means to travel, so why do they want a permanent base?

The last Labour government made the ridiculous assumption that a traveller was a gypsy and should be treated as an ethnic minority.

One could argue that a true Romany gypsy is ethnically different to the rest of the English population as they can trace their lineage back hundreds of years, but these so-called travellers need none of that. All they need is a caravan to claim special treatment.

My son's godfather is a Romany gypsy and an ex-international judo player. He no longer takes to the road and lives in a very nice house in Kent. His daughter is a lawyer and his son is a doctor.

They would travel around Kent in their caravan during fruit-picking and harvest time, taking on work and returning to their permanent home in Bexley for the winter.

That has all stopped because our farmers in Kent will no longer employ them or local women to do these jobs; they now have thousands of East European workers – so much for loyalty to the indigenous population.

If these travellers want to build a mobile-home park, let them go through the relevant planning procedure and give up their rights to be classified as a special group.

Martin Clarke
by email

Crossing belongs to the taxpayers

As Kent co-ordinator for The Association of British Drivers, I would just like to make clear our association's view of the possible selling-off of the Dartford Crossing, as recently reported.

We oppose any sell-off. This government, or any government, is only a temporary custodian of the crossing.

It is not its to sell – it belongs to the British people! The British taxpayer has paid for this asset, especially drivers, who have paid nearly five decades of tolls.

We oppose the continuation of the tolls. Scotland abandoned all road tolls several years ago, without any perceived 'safety' issues.

Terry Hudson
by email

Coastal path would be national treasure

Nine months ago, the Marine and Coastal Access Act passed into law, so confirming the widely-held view

your blogger

Ed Hill doesn't care about William Hague's hotel arrangements – it's just that baseball cap ...



I KNOW in this day and age politicians are not the most respected bunch, but I have to say I felt sorry for William Hague over the whole twin-bed scandal.

For a start, when did it become such a crime for two men to end up sharing a room? I have had to do it on several occasions with mates of mine.

It's usually been the result of a last-minute trek to find somewhere to stay for the night and finding it was the only option left at a bed and breakfast.

Once, on a week-long work trip to Ireland, my boss told me and a colleague: "Don't worry guys, when you get there you will each have a nice little room at a guest house."

The nice little room turned out to be one big room shared with seven other blokes all working on sites that were part of Limerick's building boom at the time. The rumours about Mr Hague and his hotel companion, Christopher Myers, began on the Guido Fawkes website.

Paul Staines, the man behind the political blog, seems like a character out of a Monty Python sketch, employing a 'nudge-nudge, wink-wink' approach to his stories.

OK, so it may seem odd to appoint a 25-year-old as a special adviser in the Foreign Office, but this is just part of modern political culture.

Last year, I visited the Houses of Parliament and

was lucky enough to be invited for a drink in the terrace bar. I have to confess I felt rather old. The place was full of MPs' researchers and political advisers, all of whom looked like they were on some sort of Westminster gap year.

All the candidates in the Labour leadership contest began their careers at the Houses of Parliament straight after university.

Politicians from Mr Hague's own party have criticised the frankness of his statement about his marriage and the multiple miscarriages suffered by his wife, Ffion.

I think such openness is refreshing, particularly when you compare it with Tony Blair, who refused to say whether his baby son, Leo, had been given the MMR vaccine, even though it was a policy his Government was pushing on other parents at the time.

Miscarriage is a traumatic experience for any couple and many have been prompted to say how grateful they are to William and Ffion Hague for deciding to reveal the problems they have had having children.

If their honesty helps create an environment where people talk more openly about such heartbreak, it can only be for the better.

The only real criticism I can throw at Mr Hague is his dress sense. One bad photograph in a baseball cap is unfortunate, but two just seems like carelessness.

If there is a story in your area you think we should be covering, contact the editor, Dave Mairs, on 01303 817022, or email him on the details above.

If you want to be the next blogger, then all you have to do is submit an article to us (of about 550 words) and email it to the editor.

And don't forget, for all the latest news and video from your town, log on to www.kentnews.co.uk.

that the coast is a national treasure that we should all be able to share.

Worryingly, over the past few weeks there have been many reports warning that the future of the Coastal Path may be in jeopardy.

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I hope readers will join me in calling on the Government to continue to promote the Coastal Path and its part in the quintessential British seaside holiday, for the sake of our economy, our jobs and our enjoyment.

Andrew Austen
by email

Don't let the unions start another crisis

I have just read the article 'Tax payers fund union action' and my blood boils. They are using

taxpayers' money when they should be funding this themselves. Have they no intelligence at all?

The country is in the state it is because people have been insisting on fewer hours and more money. The country could not go on like this. Unions and strikes are not the way, as everyone over the age of 40 will tell you.

Cuts have to be made, and everyone will have to cut back on their lifestyle and luxuries.

Just how many industries have we lost in this country because of constant strikes, and people expecting more money for less work? If the unions do not calm down we shall have another crisis on our hands.

They keep talking about so much poverty in this country – we have no poverty. The problem is that everyone expects too much in today's world for doing hardly anything.

If we all work together we can get through this, but only if ALL of us pull together. Do not listen to the unions.

The unions should give all of the money back to the taxpayers

Carole Russell
Ramsgate

Send your thanks to heroes of air battle

This summer marks the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. To commemorate this event, and to express appreciation to those

serving in the RAF today, I'd like to urge readers to take part in the RAF Benevolent Fund's Heartfelt Thanks campaign.

The campaign, launched by TV presenter Lorraine Kelly in June, gives people the opportunity to write their own personal message of thanks to members of the RAF, both past and present.

This is easily done at www.rafbf.org/thanks or on cards available at air shows and RAF Benevolent Fund events.

All the messages gathered will be presented to some of the few surviving veterans of the Battle as part of the 70th anniversary celebrations this September.

If you would like to find out more about the RAF Benevolent Fund or how you can help support our work, please contact our regional office.

Paul Hewson
RAF Benevolent Fund

Send in your views on airport expansion

I thought it might be worth informing readers that anyone opposed to the expansion of Lydd airport should write to the inspector before Friday, September 24.

Almost 14,000 people initially wrote to the Government Office for the South East (GOSE) to oppose the plans, but no letters will be passed on from GOSE for the public inquiry.

Letters should be sent FAO the

Inspector (K D Barton), c/o Leanne Palmer, Room 4/02 Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN or you can email to leanne.palmer@pins.gsi.gov.uk.

Martin Whybrow
Shepway Green Party

Tea, cakes and help for a vital charity

I would like to remind readers that there's still time to get brewing and baking for Time 4 Tea.

It's a fund-raising initiative that I'm supporting to help raise vital funds for Meningitis UK.

People can organise whatever tea-themed event takes their fancy, from tea dances to teddy bears' picnics.

It promises to be a fun and easy way to raise money – and an ideal opportunity to get together with friends, family or colleagues.

Money raised from Time 4 Tea will go towards Meningitis UK's Search 4 a Vaccine Campaign, which funds cutting-edge research to find a vaccine to eradicate all forms of the disease.

The charity has lots of ideas to get you started so why not dust off your teapot and get thinking about what to brew and bake for the occasion.

The first 120 registrants will receive an exclusive selection of Toppers Teas and the website – www.meningitisuk.org/time4tea – has a selection of recipes kindly provided by Country Cupcakes.

The opportunities are endless and Time 4 Tea should appeal to anyone with a sweet tooth or love of baking.

Please contact Meningitis UK today to receive a fundraising pack jam-packed with tips and ideas to get you started.

Everyone will receive my favourite cake recipe – delicious sticky gingerbread – so sign up now and make Time 4 Tea this autumn.

For further information and to register, visit www.meningitisuk.org/time4tea or phone Emily on 0117 373 73 73.

Sophie Grigson, cookery writer
on behalf of Meningitis UK

Game on for a super treat this autumn

October 1 heralds the official start of the pheasant-shooting season.

As the season gets into full swing, there will be plenty of affordable, locally-sourced game meat available. Described by TV chef Mike Robinson as a superfood, it is healthy, sustainable and nutritious.

The UK's largest shooting organisation, the British Association for Shooting and Conservation, runs an innovative game-promotion campaign which we have extended this year.

Watch out for events taking place as part of BASC's National Taste of Game Fortnight, which will run from November 6-20.

So if you fancy trying game and would like details and some easy recipes, visit www.gameson.org.uk.

Debbie Collins
BASC

Police talent recognised at force's awards night

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

VOLCANIC eruptions, earthquakes and floods have resulted in high praise for the head of Kent Police's emergency planning department who helped deal with them.

Dave Castle picked up the Outstanding Civilian Staff prize at the Safer Kent Awards, which celebrates the achievements of front-line police as well as those of community support officers, wardens and other volunteers.

Described on his citation as "the right hand" of the force, Mr Castle played a key role in incidents including the Folkestone earthquake and the north Kent power failure, and in providing a humanitarian response to the Icelandic volcanic eruption.

The citation reads: "Leading a small, dedicated team of professionals, Dave truly makes a difference.

"His personal commitment, dedication and enthusiasm command the greatest respect from all roles and ranks.

"His attention to detail – and superb negotiation skills and friendly approach – make him an invaluable member of Kent Police."

Mr Castle won £50 for the accolade, which he donated to the winners of the Volunteer of the



TEAM OF THE YEAR: Medway's Safe Exit project won an award for its work in reducing prostitution in Rochester

Year award, the Kent Search and Rescue Team.

The team, which is made up of 45 volunteers, provides a 24-hour call-out for emergencies and vulnerable missing person search reports.

Meanwhile, PC Susan Luck picked up the award for Police Officer of the Year for her role in helping to reduce anti-social behaviour in Thanet.

The Team of the Year award went to officers involved in Medway's Safe Exit Project, which has reduced prostitution in the notorious New Road area of Rochester.

Kent Police Authority chairwoman Ann Barnes said: "The public sector is facing a really tough time, so it's important to step back and recognise the talent we have here in Kent."

Appeal for clues to stolen oil paintings

VALUABLE oil paintings estimated at about £900 have been stolen from a house in Dungeness.

The five pictures depict various country and desert scenes, including a set of three featuring old Hastings.

They were taken from the property in Dungeness Road between Saturday, August 28, and Saturday, September 4.

One of the paintings is described as an oil on canvas in an ornate gilt frame, depicting a church, river and trees, and another, a Victorian oil on canvas showing a desert-type scene with a church or similar-looking building.

The three Hastings pictures were in modern gilt frames. A rear window was also broken, with damage estimated at £50.

Police would like to speak to anyone who has information about these paintings. You can phone 01622 690690 or report it anonymously to Kent Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Community winners

RESIDENTS in Folkestone West were invited to choose which community projects would receive a share of £18,000 in council funding.

Voters flocked to the Tower Theatre at 1pm on Saturday, September 11 to cast their ballots in the second annual You Decide day.

Twenty causes were bidding for up to £2,000 each.

The nine winning bids included £2,000 for a wheelchair basketball club, £1,000 for a community children's choir and £2,000 towards the 2011 Freedayz film festival.

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'Prosperous' South will be hurt by cuts as much as up north

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

DEPRIVED areas of Kent will suffer from public spending cuts as much as those in the Midlands and North, warns Kent County Council leader Paul Carter.

Cllr Carter, who is also chairman of South East England Councils, says the Government should not be taken in by the myth that Kent is an entirely prosperous county and will escape unscathed from huge budget reductions.

Research published by the BBC last week revealed that Thanet is one of the districts least likely to withstand public spending cuts, but other towns such as Gillingham and Sheerness are also at risk.

"We need to combat the false perception the South East is universally wealthy and make sure government knows that cuts here would harm the prospects of a huge number of people," said Cllr Carter.

"Figures show that 500,000 people in the South East live in areas within the 20 per cent most deprived in the country.

"This is an alarming number – equal to about one fifth of the population of the entire North East of England – and we must not let their needs go unnoticed."

Disproportionate

Despite being a region of economic contrasts, the South East contributes more to the Treasury each year than is spent on public services – about £18 billion according to the most recent data published in 2007.

The region is therefore one of only three in the country, along with London and the East, which gives more than it receives.

And according to figures released this week by the GMB union, the South East is the region with the second biggest job losses in the pipeline behind only Scotland.

These include 1,500 at Kent Police, about 750 at Kent County Council and 300 at Medway Council.



WARNING: Paul Carter, leader of Kent County Council

Cllr Carter said: "We need to guard against disproportionate cuts made because the South East is perceived as universally prosperous.

"Parts of the South East sorely need public investment to help us bring them up to the standards of the rest of the UK."

This is not the first time a Kent politician has spoken out over the false perception that all areas of the county are prosperous.

Last June, Thanet North MP Roger Gale said it was wrong that all businesses in the South East should be excluded from National Insurance concessions announced in the emergency Budget.

He said: "I hope the Treasury will recognise that, exceptionally in the London/South East region, Thanet still has the highest levels of social deprivation – at figures that compare with the North East.

"It would be quite wrong to exclude Thanet from the job-creating measures the Chancellor has announced, and to exclude local private-sector employers from a very sensible package."

Councils' promise to improve bin collections and recycling

MORE recycling and weekly collections of food waste have been promised in a shake-up of services by Shepway council.

The authority has signed a joint recycling and waste collection contract with neighbouring Dover in order to reduce costs and improve what it can offer.

Deputy leader and cabinet member for strategic services Rory Love told people at a Hythe workshop the new service had been shaped by their views.

About 2,000 people completed a survey about the proposals with nearly 70 coming to workshops to find out more and finalise the details.

Cllr Love said: "In our survey, 96 per cent said it was important to recycle more types of plastic. So the new service will collect a much wider range of recycling, including margarine tubs, yoghurt pots, and fruit punnets.

"Biscuit tins, and Tetrapak-style cartons will also be recycled," he told those who attended afternoon and evening workshops at Hythe Sports Pavilion.

He said: "Nearly three quarters of residents wanted a weekly collection of food waste. So in future, leftover cooked or uncooked food will be taken away weekly for composting.

"Nearly all residents wanted better co-ordination between rubbish collection and street cleaning. So we are putting the two services together in one contract."

Head of Shepway's environmental services Roger Walton said: "This groundbreaking new joint contract between Shepway and Dover councils and Kent County Council brings both improved services and savings for local taxpayers."

A joint meeting of Shepway and Dover councils' Cabinet is due to be held in October to choose the new contractor. The full range of new services will start in mid-2011.



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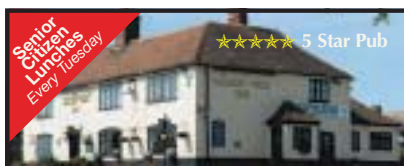
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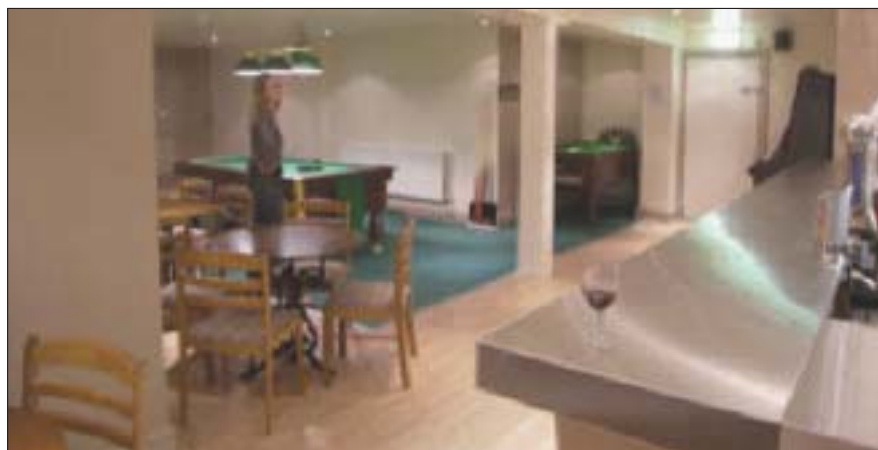
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Abul Hussain has another restaurant in Hastings, called Bay Spice, with his partner Babu, which celebrates its fifth anniversary in November.

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DAY & NIGHT

Choir's charity concert

THANET Male Voice Choir will give a concert in Westgate-on-Sea on Saturday in aid of Ed-Aid's work with schools in the Gambia.

The event will be held at St Peter's Church at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5 on the door. For more information about the project visit www.edaid.freereserve.co.uk.

How green is town?

FIND out how green Hythe could be at an environmental event at the town's pavilion tomorrow.

The evening of presentations and discussion hosted by the Shepway Green Party starts at 7.30pm and features two speakers, a question and answer session and open discussion. For details visit www.kentgreenparty.org.

Hear Noise Next Door

LAUGHTER will be generated from nothing when The Noise Next Door returns to Canterbury.

The comedy troupe has been performing alongside big names in the business, as well as in their own show, Chaos Control. See them at Orange Street Music Club at 8pm next Wednesday. Tickets cost £8/£6. For details visit www.orangestreetmusic.com.

Musical gems recalled

FESTIVAL Chamber Orchestra presents an evening of Neglected Gems at Wye Church on Saturday.

Conducted by Anthony Halstead, the concert features works by Monn, Bach, Debussy, Benjamin Britten and Vivaldi.

Tickets are £15/£7/£4. Call 01227 763965, go to www.crowthersofcanterbury.co.uk, visit Wye News in Wye or Crowthers of Canterbury.

Pianist plays classics

PIANIST Rupert Jones plays at Sarah Thorne Theatre Club this weekend.

Jones presents works by Bach, Beethoven, Debussy and Chopin at the Memorial Theatre in Broadstairs at 7.30pm on Saturday. Tickets cost £9 each or £32 for families of four. Call 0845 262 6263 or email info@sarahthorne-theatre-club.co.uk. Non-members must book at least 24 hours in advance.

Inside a teenage mind

A 40-YEAR-OLD man tackles the drama of teenage life in I'm a Minger.

Writer and actor Alex Jones plays more than 20 characters in the show, for ages 14 and above, at Theatre Royal Margate at 7.30pm on Tuesday. Tickets cost £10. To book call 0845 130 1786 or 01227 787787 or visit www.theatreroyal-margate.com.

The meaning of love

EXPLORE the meaning of love, with relationship expert and coach Jan Day.

She will lead a Being in Love Workshop at Highfield House Yoga Centre in Canterbury on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets cost £140/£90.

For details and to book call 0208 123 9831, email jan@janday.com or go to www.janday.com.



Come on over to see Drifters

THE DRIFTERS

Thursday, September 30
Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone



FOR more than half a century, the Drifters have been entertaining audiences with unforgettable songs.

Since the group was formed in 1953, they have sold more than 214 million singles and 114 albums worldwide. More than 60 vocalists have passed through the ranks and the Drifters boast a back catalogue of more than 50 hits, familiar to music fans young and old.

Next week, the Drifters visit Folkestone to perform some of those songs. Their biggest hits include Saturday Night at the Movies, Under the Boardwalk, On Broadway, Up On the Roof, Come On Over To My Place and Kissing In the Back Row of the Movies.

The group is touring the UK following an arena tour with the Temptations, the Four Tops and the Three Degrees, including a show at the O2 Arena in London. Last year there was a historic event in London, with the Drifters Legends – featuring some of the group's most popular former members – and the launch of a new album.

"There is something very special about the audiences that come to see our shows," Michael Williams, a current member of the line-up, said. "We often get several generations of the same family coming to see the shows and we are now getting a lot of new fans. Everyone just wants to get out of their seats and dance and we all have a great time."

The Drifters was formed in 1953 by the Dominoes' lead singer, Clyde McPhatter and Ahmet Ertegun, founder of Atlantic Records. They were managed by former jazz singer George Treadwell, and the Treadwell name has been synonymous with the band ever since.

From the early days, frequent line-up changes would characterise the group, but some members would become icons, such as Ben E King, Rudy Lewis, Johnny Moore and of course, McPhatter. Their early songs included Lucille, Money Honey, Such a Night and Honey Love. They soon became a popular live and chart act, but McPhatter left to pursue a successful solo career just one year after the band was formed. He sold his interest in the group to Treadwell, who took control of the Drifters and the members became salaried singers, sometimes earning as little as \$100 a week.

In 1954, tenor Johnny Moore joined the group and he would become one of the group's most famous members, staying in the line-up for more than 20 years.

Line-up changes continued to abound, with Treadwell sacking the entire group just before a show at the Apollo Theatre in New York and replacing them with another group known as the Five Crowns. In 1960 Rudy Lewis replaced Johnny Williams in the group, and his tenure marked a second golden age for the Drifters. Tragically he was found dead in his apartment before a recording session in 1964.

Following the death of Treadwell in 1967, his wife Faye took over management of the group and moved their base to England. During the late 70s, they became a dance-disco act and developed their stage presence further, to become known as one of the best live acts in the world.

In the intervening years, the Drifters have continued to delight their fans and performed twice at the White House. Last year they released new material and classic hits on the album Five Decades and Moore, released in memory of Johnny Moore, who died in 1998.

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £21. To book call 0844 847 1776 or visit www.leascliffhall.org.uk.



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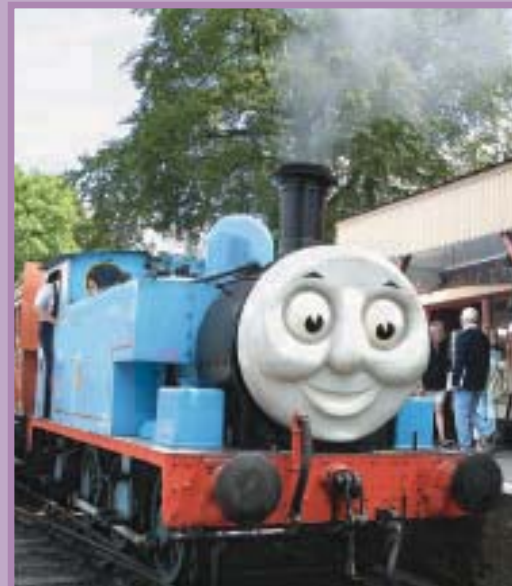
Billed as 'the definitive tribute to Kings of Leon', the band plays all the greatest hits in authentic and accurate style. Playing songs from Kings of Leon's last four albums, the band has been selling out venues all over the country and their success looks set to continue.

Kings of Lyon made their debut in Harrogate in February last year and their ability to mimic their idols' sound and style was immediately apparent. The audience was so impressed,

it called for several encores and the band then went on to play to a sell-out crowd at a new venue in Hull.

Since then they have played at universities, nightclubs and venues across the UK and this year they are selling out concerts throughout Europe.

The pre-tour warm-up gig starts at 8.30pm and is presented by new music promotion company, WhitLive. Tickets cost £10 in advance from Hotel Continental, Gatefield Sounds, Windy Corner Stores, Canterbury Rock and online at www.wegotickets.com.



THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE

Saturday, September 25, and Sunday, September 26
Kent & East Sussex Railway, Tenterden

FANS of Thomas the Tank Engine can meet the friendly little locomotive when he visits Kent this weekend.

Children will have the chance to ride in carriages pulled by Thomas and his friends, Annie and Clarabel, during this special event. Charlie the Clown and Sir Topham Hatt, the Fat Controller, will also be on hand to meet passengers.

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In the railway's souvenir shop, young visitors will also find an assortment of Thomas gifts to buy.

The ticket price includes the activities and a one-hour return steam train ride to Wittersham Road Station. Tickets cost £12.50 for adults, £9.50 for children and are free for babies under 18 months old.

To find out more call 01580 765155 or visit the website at www.kesr.org.uk.

ROBIN ASHWELL

Saturday, September 25, Alexander Centre, Faversham



WITNESS an evening of 'firsts' when the Oare String Orchestra presents its September concert.

Rising viola star Robin Ashwell will be performing with the orchestra this weekend, playing his 1934 Sacconi viola. He will give one of the first UK performances of the Viola Concerto by Elis Pehkonen, an East Anglian composer whose parents hailed from Finland. Pehkonen's Scottish fantasy, Over the Water, received a warm reception at the Alexander Centre in 2007.

Ashwell has been principal viola of the European Union Baroque Orchestra and played with the BBC Symphony Orchestra, though he spends much of his time as viola of the Sacconi String Quartet, of which he is a co-founder.

The concert begins with Elgar's Serenade for Strings and finishes with a most unexpected work by Brahms. He did not write for string orchestra, but Oare String Orchestra's principal cellist, Jonathan Chapter, has created a new arrangement of the familiar B flat String Sextet.

The conductor will be Peter Aviss and the concert starts at 7.30pm. Priced at £10, tickets are available from Faversham Information Centre, on the door and by emailing ticket@oare-string-orchestra.org.



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Friday, September 24, and
Saturday, September 25,
Theatre Royal, Margate



THE beauty of art appears to turn sour in the locally-set play, First Impressions.

Produced by Net Curtains Theatre Company, the satirical yet romantic story revives memories of Margate's past and raises questions about its future. Can culture really be imposed on a run-down seaside town?

Artist Joseph Turner visits a Margate inn to meet his latest model and vows to make an impression on the art world. Two centuries later, one of his previously unknown works is discovered in a dead woman's flat. The painting of Margate bay is beautiful and desirable, but the bidding war that erupts around it soon begins to darken the picture.

"First Impressions is a must-see for anyone with memories of Margate or an interest in the town's future," said Claire Farrington, artistic director of Net Curtains.

"Last year it played to a local audience of more than 300 people, who voted for it to return in full."

Tickets cost £12/£10. To book call 0845 1301786 or 01227 787787 or visit www.theatreroyalmargate.com.



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CANTERBURY EUROFAIR

Friday, September 24, to Sunday, September 26, Dane John Gardens, Canterbury

FOR a real taste of the county, go along to the Canterbury Eurofair with the Kent and Food Drink Festival.

The event offers visitors the chance to meet more than 100 stallholders from across Kent and Europe.

Organised by Canterbury City Council in conjunction with Produced in Kent, the festival gives members of Produced in Kent the chance to show off their wares and offer customers a sample of their produce, including jams, chutneys, pickles, bread, fish, wild game, Kent cobnuts, chocolates, truffles, oils,

fruit juices and wine.

There will be food demonstrations and talks throughout the weekend, to give visitors handy hints and inspiration for their own dinner table.

This year Eurofair will be expanding into the Canterbury Castle grounds, where there will be a medieval and world food market.

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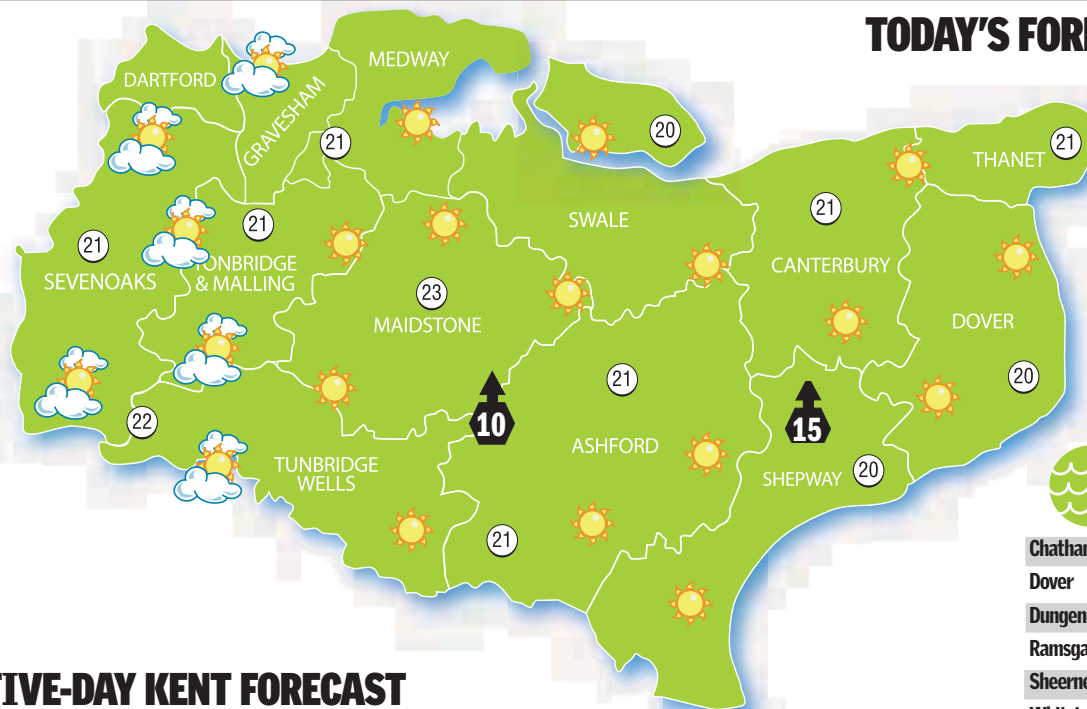
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Chatham	Saturday	2:40pm	6.0m	Sunday	3:10pm	6.0m
Dover	Saturday	12:51pm	6.6m	Sunday	1:15pm	6.6m
Dungeness	Saturday	12:57pm	7.8m	Sunday	1:25pm	7.8m
Ramsgate	Saturday	1:21pm	5.0m	Sunday	1:45pm	5.0m
Sheerness	Saturday	2:30pm	5.8m	Sunday	3:00pm	5.7m
Whitstable	Saturday	2:38pm	5.3m	Sunday	3:09pm	5.3m

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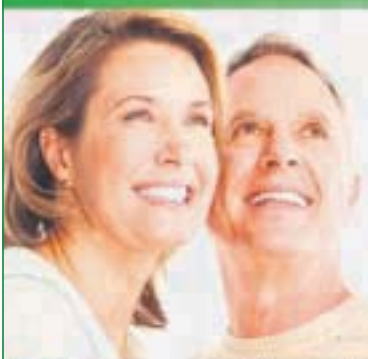
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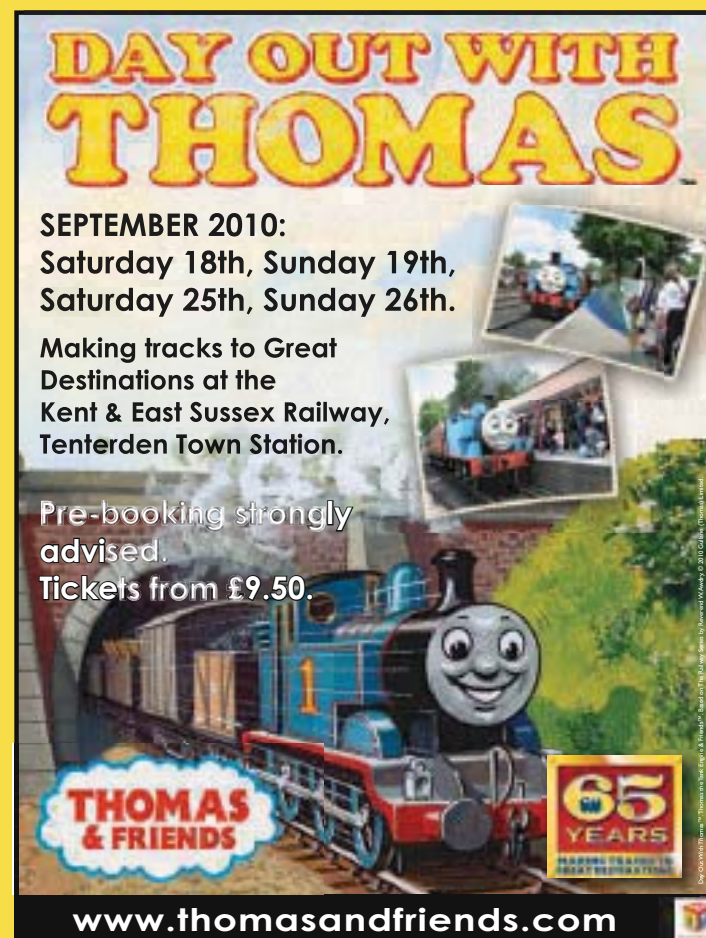
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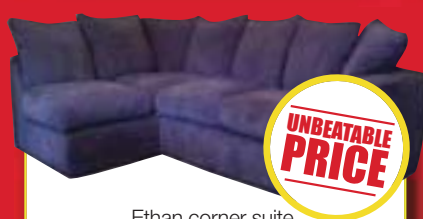
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Action comedy sees Ferrell find his form again as desperate cop

■ BY DAMON SMITH

IT HAS been almost four years since Will Ferrell starred in *Stranger Than Fiction*, a film that could justifiably claim to be a comedy without arousing the suspicions of trading standards.

Undeniably, he is a gifted mimic and with the right script, Ferrell can reduce an entire audience to helpless laughter.

However, with a reported \$20 million fee per film, making him one of the most expensive commodities in Hollywood, the leading man hardly seems good value for money when he serves up tripe including *Land Of The Lost* and *Semi-Pro*.

Thankfully, the *Saturday Night Live* stalwart rediscovers some of his lustre in *The Other Guys*.

Directed and co-written by Adam McKay, who previously made *Talladega Nights: The Ballad Of Ricky Bobby*, and *Anchorman – The Legend Of Ron Burgundy*, this intentionally ludicrous buddy cop movie pairs Ferrell with a hilariously self-mocking Mark Wahlberg.

Explosive action sequences collide with polished one-liners and some amusing supporting performances, like Michael Keaton as the beleaguered police chief, who works a second job to pay for his son's university education "so he can explore his bisexuality and become a DJ".

Detectives PK Highsmith (Samuel L Jackson) and Christopher Danson (Dwayne Johnson) are the golden boys of the NYPD, monopolising newspaper headlines with their gung-ho antics.

When the two officers are sidelined, hot-headed Terry Hoitz (Mark Wahlberg) and his mild-mannered partner Allen Gamble (Will Ferrell) vie with rival detectives Fosse (Damon Wayans Jr) and Martin (Rob Riggle) to lead the team.



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PARTNERS IN CRIME: Will Ferrell as Allen Gamble, and Mark Wahlberg as Terry Hoitz, bring in multimillionaire David Ershon, played by Steve Coogan in *The Other Guys*

"I'm a peacock. You've got to let me fly!" Terry implores Captain Gene Mauch (Michael Keaton), desperate to be included on a case involving multi-millionaire David Ershon (Steve Coogan).

When his pleas fall on deaf ears, Terry drags Allen into the field with only a wooden replica gun for protection.

The Other Guys gets considerable mileage from several running jokes, including Terry's choice of car and his ability to pull insanely

sexy women like his wife, Dr Sheila Gamble (Eva Mendes).

Wahlberg has a blast as the rogue cop with a short fuse, and Ferrell brings out the sweetness and vulnerability of his clumsy oaf, who cheerfully reveals: "There are three things I love in this world: Kylie Minogue, the dimples in a woman's back above her buttocks and the fear in a man's eyes who knows I'm going to hurt him."

The plot careers along at breakneck speed,

unchaining itself from plausibility early on with the sudden and unexpected exits of Jackson and Johnson.

Gags hit more targets than they miss, which is a blessed relief, and we could cheerfully entertain another investigation for Terry and Allen in the future.

THE OTHER GUYS 
Certificate 12A

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FASHION VICTIM: But are things finally looking up for Ugly Betty?



YOUR TV REVIEW *UGLY BETTY*: Channel 4, Sunday, 12.10pm

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

UGLY Betty is back! The quirky, lovable, short and frumpy misfit has returned to *Mode* magazine making a mess of her private life and career.

Despite an unlikely penchant for shoes I can't afford, I am not an obvious target for the *Ugly Betty* brand. The US drama/comedy, now in its fourth and final season, is all about fashion, scheming, image and being horribly pretty and skinny, whereas I was in the army cadets and studied philosophy, politics and economics at university.

But like many, many people, I love *Ugly Betty* and will be sad to see her go. This is because the show, set in a fictional New York fashion magazine stuffed to the brim with shiny, beautiful people, is also about trying to fit in and be successful, something everyone can relate to.

And after three seasons of ugly, our

eponymous heroine Betty Suarez is finally fitting in to the flippant, shallow, underhand world of fashion.

She has learned about hair-straighteners and heels. She has learned a modicum of fashion sense. She has learned that sticking up for herself doesn't make her a bad person. And, unlike the lead character in *The Devil Wears Prada*, she hasn't become subsumed into becoming a vapid fashionista.

This being the last season, many of the characters are progressing unexpectedly quickly. The usually superficial receptionist Amanda has decided partying and stealing clothes is not enough for her. Evil fashion minion Marc St James has figured the min-ioning business is not really a career,

and perhaps he should get a proper job at *Vogue*.

The reason for this forced turn towards a denouement can only be because the show's US producers knew this would be the last series after ratings took a turn for the worse in America.

But I don't think a speedy ending is a bad thing because, as much as I like *Ugly Betty*, I would have been bored by it eventually.

The plot is contrived, the morals are obvious and everyone is far, far too pretty. It has a New York glamour which is fun to fall for but can only really last so long. It is a good thing *Ugly Betty* will not go the way of *Lost*, which sane people were forced to give up on long before it ended.

Ugly Betty is still fresh. I will watch the show until the end, and I will love every minute of it.

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MERSEY BEAT: Sixties veterans Gerry and the Pacemakers are still going strong

Golden line-up from the swinging sixties

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE sounds of the swinging sixties will ring out in Kent next month when a host of the decade's star turns perform together.

The hugely popular touring Sixties Gold line-up includes The Searchers, PJ Proby and Chip Hawkes, with Gerry & The Pacemakers topping the Chatham Central Theatre bill off.

Between them, the fabulous foursome have notched up a total of 28 timeless top 20 UK singles.

A theatre spokesman said: "Sixties Gold gives music fans the chance to relive the greatest musical decade of modern times in a show packed with sugar-spun melodies, chiming harmonies and rock-rolling back beats.

"Some of the most memorable chart toppers of the sixties bring to life classic feel-good hits including Ferry Cross the Mersey, Sweets for my Sweet, Hold Me, Silence is Golden and many more."

Len 'Chip' Hawkes hit the big-time when he joined The Tremeloes in 1966.

The new-look Essex-based beat foursome went on to score a further seven top 20 hits, including My Little Lady, (Call Me) Number One and Me and My Life, all of which burst into the top 10 UK singles chart.

Texan PJ Proby is a regular and popular face on the ever-changing Sixties Gold carousel of performers.

The 71-year-old star first charmed British audiences back in 1964, with the release of his aptly-named introductory album, I am PJ Proby.

Hits of the album included Hold Me, Together and Somewhere.

Proby has gone on to release a further 16 albums and shows no sign of hanging up his cowboy hat and microphone.

Merseybeat quartet The Searchers notched up eight top 20 singles in their time, enjoying huge success as a covers band.

The beat boppers hit Top of the Pops with their version of The Drifters' Sweets for my Sweets in 1963 before going on to have hits with Sugar and Spice, Needles

and Pins, Love Potion No 9, Take It Or Leave It and many more.

Fellow Liverpoolians Gerry and the Pacemakers were also riding the beat wave at the time, along with their citymates The Beatles.

They scored hits with singles such as How Do You Do It?, I Like It, Liverpool FC anthem You'll Never Walk Alone, I'm The One and Ferry Cross The Mersey.

The Sixties Gold night takes place at the Chatham venue on Saturday, October 30.

Performances start at 3pm and 7.30pm.

For more information and to book tickets call the box office on 01634 338338.

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CHAMPAGNE LIFESTYLE: Chateaux Etoges at the end of a long drive-away, nestles amid a clutch of vineyards in the tiny village of Etoges

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Corker of a break in Champagne

■ BY SHARRON LIVINGSTON

IT WAS a balmy and sunny day in the cathedral city of Reims, famed as the Coronation City, in the Marne region of Champagne Ardenne. Yet inside it was a cool 10 degrees with 85 per cent humidity, the lights were dim, Je t'aime was playing (the song Radio 1 banned for being too sexy, remember?).

Above me were bas reliefs of frolicking naked cherubs and waiting at the bottom of the stairs was a French man called Silus, to take me into a room full of guitar playing finches. By any standards, this was a surreal moment and one that I enjoyed as I descended into the subterranean chalk caves of Pommery Champagne house. Silus led me through a temporary art installation where these tiny birds inadvertently set off music whenever they happened to land on guitar strings.

In the caves beyond were an astonishing 25 million bottles of champagne stacked to the rafters in 30 metres of tunnels.

Sauntering through a tunnel called Manchester, I ogled 40,000 Jeroboams (bottles that hold three litres of the fizz - that's equivalent to four ordinary bottles) stacked against the chalk walls.

Noticing my raised eyebrow Silus offered: "There's a huge demand for this size of bottle - weddings and celebrations, and motor racing events".

Pommery is a super slick operation. So are their neighbours Veuve Clicquot and Piper-Heidsieck who, like Pommery, also offer highly entertaining visits to their spectacular caves set in former Roman chalk mines (crayeres). At Piper's expect to pay between six to ten euros for a tour, which usually ends with a tasting.

As a city, Reims, (pronounced 'rance') is a must-visit for its bustle, café culture, elegant architecture, Art Deco facades, superb cathedral and pedestrianised streets. For short breaks, staying centrally is a wise move to be close to all this and the Best Western Hotel de La Paix has an ideal location just minutes away from the Cathedral and shopping.

But there are no vineyards in

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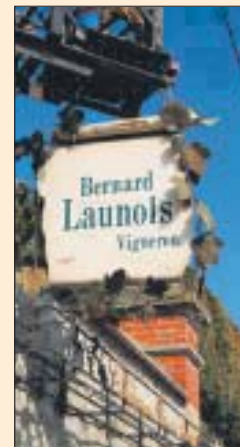
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Currency	euro

GETTING THERE: P&O Ferries from Dover to Calais (£30 each way) then its just a 4 hour drive on the A26 motorway (sortie Reims).

WHERE TO STAY:

- Chateau Etoges, <http://english.chateau-etoges.com> in the village of Etoges (doubles from 120 euros)
- Hotel de la Paix www.bestwestern-lapaix-reims.com in Reims (doubles from 155 euros).

FURTHER READING: Channel Hoppers guide to Champagne Ardenne, www.channelhoppers.net



Reims and the houses here import their Pinot noir, chardonnay and meunier grapes from vineyards elsewhere in region.

There are other, smaller houses you can visit, around 12,300 of them, that are dotted over the green, hilly landscapes. Most you will never have heard of and many are tongue-ticklingly delicious. But you'll never get through them all in just one weekend. However, you can be in the same room as at least 100 of the best lesser-known champagnes at C. Comme Champagne in Rue Gambetta at the next town of Epernay.

Seventeen euros buys the opportunity to taste five different bubblys and browsing the wines is easy as they are clearly labelled with the vineyard name, the style, grape varieties and the price.

One of the champagnes they sell is from the family-owned Launois Champagne House located in Mesnil sur Oger on the Côtes des Blancs, a few miles south of Epernay. It has been in the Launois hands for six generations.

The eccentric Monsieur Bernard Launois, a collector of everything, is the owner and his is a house worth visiting just to see the museum. You get to see 17th century presses, medieval armoury and tools, and a totally bizarre collection of antiques such as confessional boxes, meat rotisseries, pianos and old-fashioned

money tills. Loath to waste anything, Monsieur Launois even commissioned an artisan carver, to carve artworks out of old vines and there is an entire room dedicated to this.

If you want to stay a while, 54 euros buys a tour of the museum, a gastronomic lunch, and a sampling of six different champagnes. On harvest day you get to pick the grapes too and three years later a bottle of fizz will land on your doormat from that harvest.

There would have been something missing if I had not squeezed in a visit to the home town of the region's most famous son: Dom Perignon. It was only a few minutes drive to the next town of Haut Villiers, where the near blind Benedictine monk lived and died. Spot the countless street names and plaques that revere him and if the mood takes swing by the Abbey where he is buried.

On the way back I checked in to Chateaux Etoges Chateau d'Etoges, for a final burst of the Champagne lifestyle. This elegant Chateau, at the end of a long drive-away, nestles amid a clutch of vineyards in the tiny village Etoges.

Their Orangerie offers gourmet food and wines, but I took a moment to toast Dom himself with his own very words "Come quickly brothers! I'm tasting the stars!" before sleeping off the fizzy intoxication in a regal four poster bed.

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TALL slim, dark haired, attractive male, young 54, seeks attractive, slim female for daytime fun. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 334557

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MALE 52, seeks N/S, young at heart female for theatre, cinema and meals out. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379722

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MALE 45, medium build, tall, blue eyes, brown hair, GSOH, romantic, honest, likes pubs, music, nights in, seeks slim-medium build female, 28-45. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379780

65YR old male, lonely, likes nights out, most things, N/S, seeks lady of similar

MOTORS NEWS



There's less of a levy if you buy a new Chevy

CHEVROLET is pressing hard to pep up demand for new '60' registration cars with super deals on orders placed by the end of the month.

Buyers could save as much as £3,400 on a smart Cruze 1.6 S saloon – selling at £9,995, instead of a list price of £13,395.

The 1.0+ version of the new Spark urban hatchback is also on offer at £6,495 – saving £1,900 against list – while the larger three and five-door Aveo 1.2S supermini is available with up to £2,000 off.



First edition Sportage ranges further afield

KIA launches the full Sportage line-up on November 1 after finding many customers straight away with the fully loaded First Edition 4x4 model.

New front-wheel drive only versions with an economical 1.6 direct-injection petrol engine (from £16,645) or 1.7-litre turbodiesel (from £18,145) are expected to be the top-sellers of the capacious SUV.

For those needing extra grip, 2.0-litre all-wheel drive models start at £20,800.

The new range is generously equipped and with standard seven-year/100,000-mile warranty.



Alfa's espresso offer to raise cash for charity

ALFA Romeo dealerships across Kent are frothing the milk, bringing out the biscotti and opening their doors for the World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Friday.

Staged as part of a record-breaking event by MacMillan Cancer Trust, it is also backed by actress Tamzin Outhwaite (pictured at the wheel of an Alfa).

Customers will be encouraged to make a small donation to the MacMillan Cancer Trust in return for their mid-morning Italian treat. Naturally, they will also be free to take a test drive.



A GOOD ALL-ROUNDER: Land Rover's bigger Freelander 2 can 'walk the talk' as a quality runabout, building site cum rural workhorse and as an ideal 4x4 for family getaways

Rugged Freelander 2: a star on and off the road

LAND Rover's Freelander 2 suffered tough love from me after its launch in 2006, but I softened in the end.

Not that the UK 4x4 icon's robust looking junior model really needs an easy ride – my offish manner derived from the failings of the Mark 1 Freelander.

That car's adherence – literally – to Land Rover's off-roading heritage was impressive, but you can't love a car styled to shout 'ruggedness and dependability' when it wimped out so often through flaky build and poor reliability.

However, the bigger Freelander 2 has shown it can 'walk the talk' as a quality runabout, building site cum rural workhorse and as an ideal 4x4 for outward bound and alpine holidays.

Though dearer than most compact 4x4s, you get genuine off-road power, as I have proved before at the Land Rover Experience Centre at Eastwell Park, near Ashford, crashing up and down steep slopes slippery with damp chalk and littered with flinty boulders – see our Motors TV film at www.carsforkent.co.uk.

Unlike its predecessor, there was no creaking from dodgy interior fittings.

ROAD TEST FREELANDER 2

■ BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY (OUT OF FIVE)

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

Of course, most buyers never pose such a stern test even if that is like buying a pair of wellies and wearing them as slippers.

And it is not as if the car's superb off-road ability compromises its on-road qualities; it handles tidily and comfortably with little body roll on the bends.

Steering feedback is good too – you need it off-road – and it also feels nimble.

The diesel's off-road clout works equally well on-road and it is greener now with a Stop/Start system that cuts the engine automatically when the car is stationary at the lights or in similar situations. This reduces the emissions by eight per cent and average economy is well over 40mpg.

The Freelander interior is comfortable and finished to a high standard though rugged rather than stylish, with most controls falling to hand well, and there is plenty of stowage.

Comfort levels are good front and back with a good high-up view from the cabin and decent space for luggage behind.

And while our high spec HSE test car looked pricey at £33,000, diesel prices start at under £21,695 – very tempting for all that off-road ability plus Land Rover cachet.



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PROPERTY NEWS

Six in ten mortgages used to buy a house

MORE than six in ten mortgages in July were for house purchases, according to the latest figures from independent mortgage experts John Charcol.

Initial signs suggest August will see this number rise as figures gradually come before analysts.

However, remortgaging has remained low, despite accounting for 75 per cent of the market two years ago.

Drew Wotherspoon, director of marketing at expert analysts John Charcol, said supply and demand continues to hold true in the UK, with limited new stock expected to add to demand outstripping supply.

He said: "The last few years have taught us to expect anything, but a further large drop in prices looks very unlikely, unless the FSA's proposed rules on affordability are implemented as currently drafted."

Ray Boulger of John Charcol recently said the firm expects the base rate of interest, which remains at 0.5 per cent, to continue into next year after the Monetary Policy Committee left it unchanged for the 17th consecutive month.

New homes need to be made a priority

THE UK needs to build more housing quickly if it is to meet demand, the Home Builders Federation is claiming.

A recent report by Policy Exchange outlined proposals on how the Government could make housing more affordable, which included channelling financial incentives for allowing development directly to existing residents.

Social housing should also become a "stepping stone" into home ownership for tenants who work, the organisation suggested.

Steve Turner, head of communications at the HBF, said the Government needed to give more details of its incentives-based housing bonus scheme before local authorities could work out what they would receive.

"We estimate that we have already got a housing shortfall of a million and, [for] every year that we are not building 200,000-plus homes, that million shortfall is getting bigger," he said.

Mr Turner went on to say that there are "huge social and economic implications" if the Government fails to get housing supply right.



IN DEMAND: The value of an average detached house in Kent is now £299,295, around 63 per cent more than the average UK price, according to Halifax figures

Price of a family home 'rising by £91 per day'

■ BY NICK AMES

OWNERS of family houses are in the best position from the recent rise in property prices as their value rose faster than all others, according to mortgage lender Halifax.

Overall the market is still in flux but recent gloomy market news reported nationwide has been influenced strongly by a dip in the market in the north of England.

Kent continues to be more resilient and homeowners with detached family homes saw

the value of their houses rise by 13 per cent in the year to June, or around £91 a day, Halifax estimates.

The value of an average detached house is now £299,295, the lender says, 63 per cent more than the average UK house price.

Other property owners saw price gains of between eight and nine per cent during the last twelve months.

Over the past ten years, the picture shifts

slightly with semi-detached property prices rising most, by 111 per cent since 2000.

Terraced houses are up 110 per cent, just ahead of bungalows, while the value of detached homes increased by 102 per cent. Flats did worse, though prices still increased by an average of 81 per cent since 2000.

"Although the price of all property types has been boosted by the combination of historically low interest rates and lack of properties available for sale over the past year, it is notable that detached homes have seen the largest average price rises," said Suren Thiru, Halifax housing economist.

"Such properties are likely to have benefited from greater demand from those buyer groups currently most able to enter the market."

Semi-detached and terraced homes were the most popular properties bought in the year to the end of June, accounting for 61 per cent of all sales, up from 58 per cent in 2000. Bungalows were the least popular, accounting for only seven per cent of transactions.

Long term the market continues to be unsteady, but economists say there is a strong likelihood that figures over the next decade could be comparable to those reported since 2000 – as the last 10 years saw both an increase and a dip.

Nationally, prices fell during August.

Make the most of current low rates of interest

THOSE looking to borrow money to fund a mortgage should be aware that the current low rates of interest have a finite lifespan and will not be here forever, an advice website has warned.

Paula John, editor at Your Mortgage, said there is a danger that people could begin to think the current situation is normal, when in fact the market is in "extremely unusual financial circumstances".

"Anyone who is complaining about finding mortgage rates around five per cent really shouldn't be.

"If you can fix your rate for five per cent, then that is a pretty good deal," she said.

"In historic terms, five per cent is long-term good value for a mortgage."

Andrew Lilico, chief economist at Policy Exchange, recently said interest rates may have to rise to eight per cent within the next two years.

This raises the risk that, between now and 2012, many households may not take the opportunity to reduce their debts by enough and mass defaulting on mortgages may occur.

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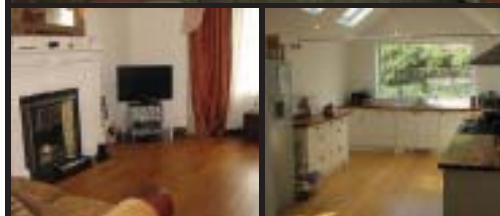
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Clarendon Street, Dover. Rent - £550 Per Month / Deposit - £550



3 bedroom unfurnished mid terraced house within easy walking distance of town centre. 3 bedrooms, lounge, dining room, kitchen, fridge and washing machine, bathroom, utility room, on road parking. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH SUITABLE GUARANTOR. NO PETS. AVAILABLE NOW.

New Street, Dover. Rent - £513.08 Per Month / Deposit - £513.08



2 Bedroom unfurnished 1st floor apartment close to seafront. This property comprises of entrance hall, 2 double bedrooms, lounge, kitchen, economy 7 electric storage heating and security entry phone system. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH SUITABLE GUARANTOR. OVER 25'S ONLY.

Percival Terrace, Dover. Rent - £550 Per Month / Deposit - £550



2 bedroom unfurnished mid terraced house in popular location. This property is set over 3 floors and comprises of entrance hallway, lounge, 2 double bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, study, storage heating, double glazing, garden and on road parking. WORKING PEOPLE ONLY. NO PETS.

Primrose Road, Dover. Rent - £650 Per Month / Deposit - £650



Brand new 3 bedroom terraced house within walking distance of town centre, set in new courtyard development. 1 double bedroom and 2 singles, cloakroom, central heating, parking. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH SUITABLE GUARANTOR. NO PETS. NO SMOKERS. AVAILABLE NOW.

Stembrook Court, Dover. Rent - £700 Per Month / Deposit - £700



3 bedroom 2nd floor furnished apartment in town centre ideally situated for ferry terminal and local amenities. This property comprises of entrance hallway with security entry phone system, 2 double bedrooms and 1 single. THE RENT INCLUDES HEATING & GAS. MUST BE WORKING. NO PETS.

New Street, Dover. Rent - £428.08 Per Month / Deposit - £428.08



1 bedroom unfurnished 3rd floor apartment in recent Metropole conversion. Situated in the town centre, this property comprises of double bedroom, good size lounge, kitchen, bathroom. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH GUARANTOR. SORRY, NO PETS OR CHILDREN. AVAILABLE NOW.

Dickson Road, Dover. Rent - £475 Per Month / Deposit - £475



2 bedroom unfurnished terraced house close to town centre. This property has been recently redecorated throughout and comprises of 2 double size bedrooms, lounge, bathroom, full gas central heating, courtyard and on road parking. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH A GUARANTOR. AVAILABLE NOW.

Wyndham Road, Dover. Rent - £450 Per Month / Deposit - £450



2 bedroom terraced house close to local amenities & town centre. This property has been newly refurbished with new carpets throughout the house. Lounge, 1 double bedroom, 1 single bedroom, full gas central heating. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH GUARANTOR. NO PETS. AVAILABLE NOW.

Pencester Road, Dover. Rent - £550 Per Month / Deposit - £600



3 bedroom unfurnished maisonette in good decorative order through-out, full gas central heating, double glazed, large lounge, large main bedroom and 2 single bedrooms, off road parking for 2 cars. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH A GUARANTOR. SORRY, NO PETS.

Tower Hamlets Street, Dover. Rent - £525 Per Month / Deposit - £525



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Worthington Street, Dover. Rent - £425 Per Month / Deposit - £425



2 bedroom unfurnished 1st floor flat. This well presented property has been newly decorated and new carpets fitted throughout and comprises lounge, 2 double bedrooms, fitted kitchen, bathroom with overhead electric shower and full gas central heating. NO DSS. NO PETS. AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER.

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK



Douglas Road, Dover. Rent - £500 Per Month / Deposit - £500

2 bedroom unfurnished mid terraced house close to town centre, local schools and amenities. This property has been newly decorated and comprises of a through lounge/diner, fitted kitchen to include electric hob and oven, bathroom, full gas central heating, partial double glazing, rear garden laid to lawn and on road parking. WORKING PEOPLE ONLY. NO PETS. NON SMOKERS. AVAILABLE NOW.



Cherry Tree Avenue, Dover. Rent - £450 Per Month / Deposit - £450



2 bedroom 2nd and 3rd floor unfurnished maisonette. This property has been newly carpeted throughout and comprises of 2 double bedrooms, large kitchen/diner, bathroom, good size lounge and full gas central heating. HOUSING BENEFIT ACCEPTED WITH A GUARANTOR. NO PETS. AVAILABLE NOW.

Queens Gardens, Dover. Rent - £600 Per Month / Deposit - £600



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Contact: Miss S Spratley
Pent Valley Technology College, Surrenden Road, Folkestone, Kent. CT19 4ED.
Email: samantha.spratley@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk
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There is a pay review pending at 1st September 2010

For an application form and further details visit our website at www.ctksfc.ac.uk Alternatively please contact:

The Personnel Section, Christ the King College: St Mary's, Chislehurst Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 6BE
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Ref: APM01

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CLOSING DATE: Friday 1 October 2010

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**HAT-TRICK:** Martyn Beaumont scored three tries

Dominant Dover send Wanderers packing

Dover 39 Thanet Wanderers 8

DOVER produced an impressive display of attacking rugby as they came from behind to dispatch rivals Thanet Wanderers at Crabble.

The Sharks started slowly and Thanet wasted little time in opening the scoring early on with an unconverted try. The score sprung Dover into life and they immediately cut the deficit when Blair Charge kicked a penalty, followed by a try from Dave Bartley.

The home side continued to push forward from the restart and they added a second try when Charge's delicate chip was collected by

RUGBY

Martyn Beaumont and he crashed over the line. Charge added the extras.

The visitors, shocked by the turnaround, fought back but they were unable to find a way through the Sharks' defence.

Graham 'Tonks' side ended the half strongly with Dave Sluman and Ben Crawford both scoring tries to extend the lead further.

The second-half saw the tempo of the game slow and Dover were guilty of trying to run the ball from deep too often. However, with 12

minutes remaining, they wrapped up the victory with Beaumont grabbing his second try of the afternoon.

In the dying minutes Dover added gloss to the victory with Beaumont completing his hat-trick. The Sharks face a trip to Chobham this Saturday.

In London 2 South East, Deal & Betcheshanger continued their impressive start to the season with a 20-9 win at home to Maidstone.

Converted tries from Sam Cullis and Carl Thatcher along with two penalties from Ollie Best secured the win. The Lions travel to Old Mid-Whitgiftians this Saturday.

FOOTBALL

Deal make most of sloppy Sevenoaks

Deal Town 4 Sevenoaks Town 2

TWO goals in each half sent Deal Town on their way to second in the Kent League as they took advantage of slack Sevenoaks defending at the Charles Sports Ground.

The visitors looked sloppy from the first whistle and it took just six minutes for Ian Wallace to fire Deal in front. Ten minutes later, Sean Armstrong notched a second and the home side looked to be in control, but Sevenoaks had other ideas.

Jack Gibbons halved the deficit with a neat finish in the 17th minute.

Deal's Andy Hadden was then caught in a tussle with Lee Hales and both players were yellow-carded.

After the break, Deal extended their lead when Shane Suter headed past Simon Overland for the goal of the game.

Still Sevenoaks were not finished, though, and when Ellis Green's shot was blocked, substitute Aaron Harriott was on hand to turn home the loose ball.

Aiden Richards almost levelled but Deal made sure of the points when Danny Smith's cross was turned into his own net by Michael Cook.

Deal's delight was soured in the closing stages, however, when Hadden received his marching orders after a second booking for kicking out on the touchline.

FOOTBALL

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GOALS GALORE: Adam Birchall (left) scored a hat-trick and Harry Baker hit Dover's sixth as they fought back from behind twice during a thrilling encounter against Farnborough

Fans' whiteknuckle ride in Farnborough thriller

A HAT-TRICK from Adam Birchall helped Dover Athletic twice come from behind to win a nine-goal thriller at Crabble.

On paper the score line suggests a relatively comfortable win for Dover, but it was far from it as Martin Hayes's side were severely tested by a free-flowing Farnborough side. It was only three goals in the final 20 minutes which secured the three points for the home side.

A relieved Hayes said: "It's an important win but it only keeps us on the pace of the rest. These games are great for fans and great for the neutrals but they are difficult to watch as a manager.

"There were times when I could only watch with one eye open. Once the players cross the white line it is out of your control and you have to hope for the best in some respects."

Farnborough opened the scoring as early as the sixth minute when debutant Bobby Aisien failed to clear a cross into the area and Paul Booth was on hand to fire past goalkeeper Ross Flitney.

With attack very much the order of the day for both sides, the lead was short-lived. Harry Baker burst into the area and was brought down by Graham Braham-Barrett. The referee

FOOTBALL

■ BY TOM HOWARD

Dover Athletic 6

Birchall 12, 56, 78 pen, Charles 51, Wallis 71, Baker 83

Farnborough 3

Booth 6, Ibe 36, 59

pointed to the spot and although Birchall's penalty effort was initially saved the striker turned in the rebound.

The visitors fought back and just after the half hour mark they punished an error from Luke l'Anson and regained the lead. The Whites midfielder was tackled on the edge of the Farnborough area and a sweeping move ended with Kezie Ibe slotting past Flitney.

The second half continued in the same vein as the first and the home side levelled the scores six minutes after the restart. A curling effort from Birchall was parried by goalkeeper Dominique Jean-Zepherin and Elliott Charles made no mistake with the rebound.

Five minutes later Dover took the lead for the first time in the game when Birchall grabbed his second. l'Anson fed the former Arsenal

Dover starting XI



Subs used: Wallis (Cutler 60), Tabiri (Long 79), Hunt (Charles 84)

striker in midfield and he lashed the ball home from 25 yards.

Just when the home side thought they could settle Farnborough hit back and restored parity. The home side failed to deal with Ibe who rifled a shot into the roof of the net.

The hosts finally grabbed control of the game with 19 minutes remaining when substitute Jon Wallis scored Dover's fourth by converting a 20-yard free-kick which left the goalkeeper rooted to the spot.

With a fragile one-goal lead, Dover went in search of breathing space and it arrived via another penalty from Birchall. The Whites wrapped up the game seven minutes from time when Baker fired in a stunning curling effort from outside the area.

Cugley praises defenders after another clean sheet

FOOTBALL

BY DAVID PRITCHARD

Horsham 0

Folkestone Invicta 0

THE performances of Folkestone Invicta's youthful defence at the start of the season have given manager Neil Cugley cause for optimism about the rest of the campaign.

Despite being under pressure for much of the first half at Horsham on Saturday, the Seasiders' defensive unit held firm on their way to a third clean sheet in four league games.

Defensive rigidity was the key to the side's unlikely promotion last season. Cugley felt his young back line could be exposed after making the step up to the Ryman Premier, but he admitted they were well on their way to proving him wrong.

He said: "If you take the Lowestoft game [a 4-1 defeat] away our defensive record is really good. That was one of the areas I thought we would get exploited this season, but it hasn't really happened.

"Now we have to do a lot more up the other end of the field and cause teams a few more problems."

Last weekend's game was the second time the sides had met in eight days. Invicta won



TIGHT UNIT: Liam Dickson, one of Invicta's young defenders, who have three clean sheets in four league games

the FA Cup tie 4-2 at Cheriton Road, but the Hornets were a different proposition on their own patch and made five changes.

The visitors were on the back foot for much of the first half. They were not helped with the loss of Robbie Kember, who was forced off after just 11 minutes with a thigh strain.

Folkestone Invicta starting XI



Subs used: J Everitt (Kember 11), Williams (Austin 73)

Invicta goalkeeper Jack Delo was equal to everything Horsham threw at him, but more often than not the home side's approach play was let down by careless efforts which flew high or wide.

A solitary effort from Paul Jones was the sum total of the visitors' end product, but a tactical change at half-time gave them more of a foothold in the game after the break. Their attacking influence grew as the game wore on, with Jones seeing a firm drive well parried by Mark Zawadzki 20 minutes from time.

Folkestone could have claimed a winner as they dominated the final 15 minutes. Pete Williams had a good chance after coming off the bench, but after racing on to a through ball his attempted lob was blocked by Zawadzki.

Invicta felt they were denied a penalty on 85 minutes when Roland Edge was felled, but the referee was unmoved.

Invicta were looking to extend their unbeaten run to four games when they hosted Margate last night, log on to www.yourshewpway.co.uk for the details. They host Suffolk side Leiston in the FA Cup on Saturday.

RUGBY



PRESSURE: Folkestone failed to close out the game

Folkestone stunned by late Medway try

Medway 17 Folkestone 11

A LATE try from the home side saw Folkestone lose a slender lead as two of London 3 South East's promotion contenders played out an entertaining game at Priestfields.

The visitors held a one-point advantage going into the closing stages, but were unable to wind down the clock without conceding. In the end Medway just about deserved victory by virtue of making fewer mistakes, but both sides emerged with credit after 80 minutes where they looked to run the ball at every opportunity.

The teams traded penalties, Seyhan Fell for the Stones, in the early stages. Folkestone should have taken the lead when they found themselves with a huge overlap, but Jack McMurray knocked on with the try line beckoning.

Medway hit back to score the game's first try after a poor Folkestone clearance. The hosts capitalised on the error and a series of drives forced their way over the line.

The conversion gave them a seven point lead, but Fell made it 10-6 with another penalty before half-time.

Folkestone changed gear after the break and for 20 minutes they were well on top. An organised Medway defence coped well under pressure, but it eventually told.

Simon Harris quickly took a penalty as Medway were still discussing the referee's decision and the ball was worked out to Drew Woolford on the right, who skipped past the sole defender to score in the corner.

The try put the Stones in front for the first time. It became a matter of playing simple and safe rugby for the final few minutes but they lost their composure and invited pressure, which allowed Medway's pack to bundle over for the winning score.

Folkestone, who host Bromley this weekend, had little time to mount a comeback and had to make do with the consolation of a bonus point.

LEAGUE TABLE

(Not including midweek games)

CONFERENCE SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Bromley	9	7	2	0	+9	23
2 Braintree Town	9	6	2	1	+12	20
3 Dover Athletic	9	6	2	1	+10	20
4 Welling United	9	6	2	1	+8	20
5 Chelmsford City	9	6	1	2	+8	19
6 Ebbsfleet United	9	4	3	2	+4	15
7 Eastleigh	9	4	2	3	+4	14
8 Hampton & Richmond Boro'	9	3	4	2	+2	13
9 Woking	9	4	1	4	-3	13
10 Maidenhead United	9	4	1	4	-4	13
11 Bishop's Cleeve	9	4	0	5	-7	12
12 Staines Town	9	2	5	2	-4	9
13 Farnborough	9	3	2	4	-2	11
14 Dartford	9	2	4	3	+2	10
15 Havant & Waterlooville	9	2	4	3	0	10
16 St Albans City	9	1	6	2	-1	9
17 Basingstoke Town	9	2	3	4	-1	9
18 Weston-super-Mare	9	2	3	4	-5	9
19 Thurrock	9	0	5	4	-7	5
20 Dorchester Town	9	1	2	6	-8	5
21 Lewes	9	1	1	7	-8	4
22 Boreham Wood	9	0	3	6	-10	3

RYMAN PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Sutton United	6	5	1	0	+8	16
2 Lowestoft Town	7	5	0	2	+5	15
3 Bury Town	7	4	3	0	+4	15
4 Hendon	7	4	2	1	+5	14
5 Kingstman	7	4	1	2	+3	13
6 Hastings United	7	3	2	2	+4	11
7 Billericay Town	7	3	2	2	+2	11
8 Carshalton Athletic	6	3	1	2	+3	10
9 Harrow Borough	7	3	1	3	-2	10
10 Carvey Island	7	2	3	2	+2	9
11 Totting & Mitcham United	7	2	3	2	-1	9
12 Margate	6	2	2	2	+1	8
13 Concord Rangers	7	2	2	3	-3	8
14 AFC Hornchurch	7	2	2	3	-4	8
15 Wealdstone	7	2	1	4	+1	7
16 Croydon Athletic	7	2	1	4	-1	7
17 Tonbridge Angels	7	2	1	4	-3	7
18 Cray Wanderers	6	1	3	2	+2	6
19 Folkestone Invicta	7	1	3	3	-5	6
20 Maidstone United	7	1	2	4	-5	5
21 Aveley	7	0	3	4	-6	3
22 Horsham	7	0	2	5	-9	2

KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Greenwhich Borough	5	4	0	1	+5	12
2 Deal Town	6	4	0	2	+2	12
3 Hythe Town	6	3	1	2	+4	10
4 Beckenham Town	5	3	1	1	+4	10
5 VCD Athletic	4	3	1	0	+4	10
6 Herne Bay	7	2	4	1	+2	10
7 Erith Town	5	2	2	1	+3	8
8 Sevenoaks Town	5	2	1	2	-1	7
9 Corinthian	6	2	1	3	-1	7
10 Fisher	6	2	1	3	-3	7
11 Norton Sports	3	1	2	0	+1	5
12 Holmesdale	6	1	1	4	-3	4
13 Erith & Belvedere	4	1	0	3	-4	3
14 Tunbridge Wells	3	0	2	1	-2	2
15 Lordswood	5	0	1	4	-7	1
16 Sporting Bengal United	2	0	0	2	-4	0

FIXTURES (Saturday): FA CUP SECOND ROUND QUALIFYING: Erith Town v Dover Athletic; Folkestone Invicta v Leiston; Hythe Town v Erith & Belvedere
KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION: Deal Town v Holmesdale

Lockyer at the double for Hythe on winning debut

FOOTBALL

Sporting Bengal United 2 Hythe Town 4

FOR once Brendon Cass extending his scoring streak was not the main story for Hythe as Gary Lockyer scored twice on his full debut to help see off Sporting Bengal.

The teenager struck once in each half to give Scott Porter's side a deserved victory, which saw them bounce back from a mid-week home defeat to Deal Town.

Perennial strugglers Sporting Bengal can still be tricky customers on their own patch, but with two defeats in the league already this season Hythe could not afford a slip-up.

The ever-reliable Dave Cook settled any nerves by opening the scoring midway through the first half for his fourth goal of the season.

Hythe effectively made sure of the points with a strong finish to the half which saw them score twice in three minutes.

Lockyer, who is at Hythe on a dual registration deal with Ramsgate, made the most of his first start by opening his account on 42 minutes. Cass then maintained his extraordinary streak by making it 3-0 on the stroke of half-time. It was the eighth successive game the striker had got on the scoresheet.

The hosts pulled two goals back after the break, sandwiching Lockyer's second goal of the afternoon, which made sure of the three points.

Hythe hosted Norton Sports last night, log



MR RELIABLE: Dave Cook scored Hythe's first goal

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The lounge/diner

Mainly introduced as a space saver in newer but smaller houses, the lounge/diner requires a more functional dining table and chair that will co-ordinate with all the other furniture in the space.

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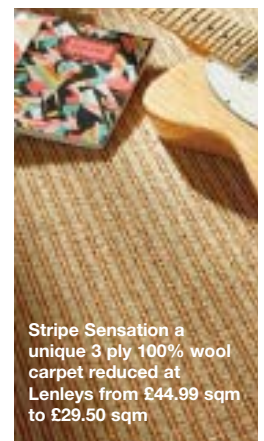
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